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CHINESE SUCCESSES NORTH OF CANTON: SEVERE FIGHTING IN SHANSI: JAPANESE WITHDRAW IN HUPEH



"Will you stop scuttling yourself, Ermyntude... people are beginning to talk about our nationality..."

SHIUHING, Jan. 18 (Central)—Nganchanngau, on the Canton-Hankow Railway, 33 miles north of Canton, reverted to Chinese control on Tuesday. The Chinese launched a determined attack and after suffering 500 casualties, the Japanese withdrew from the town.

Hard-pressed by the Chinese, more Japanese troops at Kuntien, also on the Railway, 25 miles north of Canton, have withdrawn eastward. Fungchuen, a village at the western end of Kuntien, was recaptured by the Chinese on Tuesday.

A Chinese column is reported to be heading for Kongsun, ten miles north of Canton.

MAGISTRATE COMMENDED

The Kwangtung Provincial Government has issued an order commending Mr. Choi Hui, magistrate of Tsungfa, whose militia inflicted a heavy blow upon the Japanese at Shumetting, on Dec. 25.

According to a Shikwan message, a comfort delegation dispatched by the Canton-Hankow Railway, officers and workers has arrived at the wartime provincial capital. It presented a flag to General Yu Han-mou on Tuesday and another to General Li Han-run on Wednesday.

SHANSI FIGHTING

LOYANG, Jan. 18 (Central)—Chinese forces have been attacking Fushan, south-east of Linien, in South Shansi, during the last few days. Japanese reinforcements from Yicheng in the south have been driven back.

In South-east Shansi fighting is still centred around Changch'in and Hukwan. Supported by artillery and planes, the Japanese have launched unsuccessful attacks.

In South-west Shansi, the Chinese are attacking Chinshan and

Wanchuan. The Chinese have penetrated into Chatschiatien. The Japanese are cornered at the north and east gates.

IN NORTH HUPEH

FANCHENG, HUPEH, Jan. 18 (Central)—Hard pressed by the Chinese, Japanese forces north-east of Suhsien, about 34 miles west of Yingshan in North Hupeh, have started a withdrawal.

The Chinese following in pursuit are attempting to bottle them up at Kuenshan and Maanshan.

Over 3,000 Japanese at Huchia-hen, north of Suhsien, counter-attacked with the support of over 20 tanks and planes on Tuesday. They were driven back.

The Japanese at Yangtschen, north-east of Chungking in central Hupeh are reported to have twice resorted to the use of gas. A drive towards Fengshingchen on Tuesday was repelled.

ATTACK REPULSED

KWELIN, Jan. 18 (Central)—The Japanese attack at Tsingshan and Yuanow, north of Tsingyang, on the south bank of the Yangtze River, in Anhwei, has been repulsed with many casualties.

JAPANESE REVERSES

SOMEWHERE IN HOPEI, Jan. 18 (Central)—More than 10 truckloads of Japanese troops moving from Changpo to Loehlaying north of Ankou, in West Hopei, were routed by the Chinese a few days ago.

About 200 Japanese, including the commander, Matsui, were slain, and over 10 taken prisoner, while five trucks were destroyed.

HIGHWAY ATTACKED

KWELIN, Jan. 18 (Central)—The Japanese troops at Kowping near Taitong, on the Nanning-Yamchow highway, 35 miles south of Nanning, were attacked by the Chinese on Tuesday.

The Fighting In Finland



Latest map of Finland showing the main points involved in the present fighting.

Two Violent Shocks In Anatolia

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Two violent earthquake shocks were felt in North Anatolia today. An Ankara message states that 50 were killed and 160 injured.

400 HOUSES COLLAPSE

ISTANBUL, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Over 400 houses are reported to have collapsed but it is not possible to verify the actual casualties and damage. For the past 24 hours eight more shocks were felt in the previously devastated area in northern Anatolia but hitherto there are no reports of casualties or damage.

A serious landslide, of 1,000 feet extent, occurred in the recently flooded Imidi area where two bridges were seriously damaged. In the Bursa region, the Karadaghy Plains are again inundated and fifteen villages are submerged.

CHEAP TRICKERY OF YONAI APPOINTMENT: EMPEROR'S INVOLVEMENT IN FRAUD REPORTED

Man Who Torpedoed German Alliance

SPECIAL TO THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS

TOKYO, Jan. 18 (Havas)—The suddenness of the appointment of ADMIRAL MITSUMASA YONAI to the Premiership when the general public and press were convinced that either PRINCE FUMIMARO KONOYE or GEN. S. HATA would succeed GEN. ABE was unprecedented in Japanese political history.

The announcement made a deep sensation in all circles, particularly Army ones, which were convinced that the Emperor would call Gen. Hata as the normal successor to Gen. Abe. This conviction became almost a certainty when Gen. Hata was summoned to the Palace on Sunday evening when the decision to appoint Admiral Yonai had already been reached.

It was later revealed that Mr. Kurahei Yuasa, Lord-Keeper of the Privy Seal, insisted on this "camouflaging" and wilyly left the Japanese press to announce that Gen. Hata was the most likely candidate.

The Throne's tactics in placing the public and the Army before a fait accompli was motivated by the desire to quash, in advance any rumours that Admiral Yonai was strongly opposed by the Army mainly because the Navy, and the Admiral himself, had been strongly opposed to the projected military alliance with Germany and Italy as advocated by the Army.

The Admiral had even been described as the man who torpedoed the alliance before Hitler himself scuttled it. Nevertheless, with typical discipline, the Japanese Army and General Hata accepted the Emperor's command and the latter accepted to retain his post as War Minister under Adm. Yonai.

BITTER EPISODE
The only sign of this episode was the very bitter article published in the Kokumin Shinbun, which is closely connected with Army circles, stating that Admiral Yonai's appointment was due to underhand action by "statesmen close to the Throne" who had been looking forward to him as a future candidate for Premiership "ever since the time he quashed the Japanese-German alliance by opposing it when as Navy Minister in the Hiranuma Cabinet."

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Anglo-French Prosecution Of War "A Family Affair"

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Mr. Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply, receiving journalists on the eve of the return to Paris of M. Dautry, the French Minister of Supply, said, "We are making full use not only of the raw materials of both our Empires but of their manufacturing sources as well."

"The general aims are that any weakness in economy of one country shall be made up by the other." Both Mr. Burgin and M. Dautry said that Anglo-French collaboration was now a somewhat too weak word to apply to the relations between the two countries.

The French Minister said, "There are no more secrets of frontiers between us. Our prosecution of the war is a complete family affair." We have roped ourselves together for a hard climb to victory and we shall both arrive at the top together."

SHANSI "REVOLT" EXPOSED

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Pearl River Opening—So?

THE INTIMATION PROBLEMATIC

TOKYO, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Intimation that the Pearl River would be opened to international shipping shortly along with the Yangtze was given by a Japanese naval spokesman. He emphasised that the Japanese Government has no intention of making a bargaining point of the Yangtze question.

No date has yet been set for the re-opening but the Japanese authorities on the spot are hurrying up preparations, including repairs to wharves and third Power vessels, which hitherto have been requisitioned for military purposes.

Asked what third Power would benefit most from the opening of the Yangtze, the spokesman was of the opinion that, judging from past business results, British received the most benefit, though the United States too would naturally share in the benefits. Replying to a question, the spokesman said that he understood that a conference between Wang Ching-wei and Liang Chung-chih is being held at the end of January in connection with the establishment of the new Central Government of China.

RICE SHORTAGE IN PEIPING

CHINESE OFFICIAL'S WIFE KILLED

PEIPING, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Believed to be a direct outcome of the present acute food situation in Peiping, the wife of Chow Chuang-sheng, President of the Peking Chinese Chamber of Commerce, was killed by gunmen when she was leaving hospital after visiting her daughter.

The gunmen first wounded the chauffeur and a Chinese attendant and then fired three shots at Mrs. Chow, the third bullet, piercing the stomach, proving fatal. The gunmen escaped.

It is understood that Chow himself was the real objective of the gunmen but he was out at the time. The cause of the crime is not revealed by investigators but it is understood that it may have been due to dissatisfaction over the present food situation for which Chow may have been partially blamed.

ALLIED WARSHIPS WAITING FOR COLUMBUS CREW

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—It is reported that two Australian cruisers and one Canadian gunboat are lying off San Francisco Harbour, spread like a fan 100 miles out.

This has prompted the Immigration authorities to change their plans to ship the crew of the scuttled German liner Columbus in Japanese ships.

The Immigration authorities say that the crew is temporarily held at the Immigration station. It had been understood that the crew would return to Germany, via Japan and Russia.

RUMANIAN OIL CONTROL

Special to the H.K. Daily Press
BUCHAREST, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—The Government has decided on the creation of a "National Oil Commissariat" to control Rumanian oil production and sale, co-ordinate all oil industries and control exports and provide the Army with its needs.

NORWEGIAN SHIP TORPEDOED

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—The Norwegian steamer Unid was torpedoed and shelled off the north-east coast of Britain.

Eight members of the crew were rescued by a trawler while the rest of the crew landed in the ship's boat.

EXPLOSIONS IN LONDON FACTORY

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Two big explosions occurred in a factory on the northern outskirts of London.

The explosions were so great that shop windows in the neighbourhood were blown out and a number of cellars collapsed. A hospital nearby escaped because it was heavily sandbagged. The noise of the explosions was heard 20 miles away and flames shot high into the sky. The cause is not known at present.

TWO DEMOCRAT CANDIDATES FOR PRESIDENCY

Special to the H.K. Daily Press
WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Senator Vic Donahey, from Ohio, announced that he would become a candidate for White House. With Vice-President J. L. Garner there will be two Democrat candidates for the Presidency.

MR. NELSON T. JOHNSON

SHANGHAI, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—The American Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, returned from North China aboard the transport U.S.S. Henderson.

Interviewed, he said that he will take a trip to Hankow next week and later Chungking.

No special significance is attached to his trip to Chungking it being just the usual routine Ambassador's trip.

INSTALLATION OF DALAI LAMA

NEW DELHI, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Mr. B. J. Gould, the Political Agent in Sikkim, is going to Lhasa to represent the British Government at the forthcoming installation of the new Dalai Lama.

Nazis In Same Economic Straits As In 1916

No Mean Achievement For A Brand New Ministry

LONDON, Jan. 18 (BWS)—A sharp shock has been administered to German economy as a result of the operation of Britain's economic warfare and the revelations of the Minister, Mr. Ronald Cross, in the House of Commons last night made it clear that after four-and-a-half months of war Germany is in something like the same economic straits to which she was brought after two years in the last war.

Although helped by 1914-18 experiments it is, says The Times, no mean achievement for a brand new Ministry, which had to improvise a far-reaching organisation for obtaining necessary information for taking appropriate action, to make effective control of Germany's supplies as effective almost from the beginning of this war as it was in the later stages of the last.

The Daily Telegraph says Britain's offensive against enemy trade has been prompt and vigorous. Not only have we swept the seas clean of German ships but our contraband control has reduced to insignificant proportions imports to Germany by way of neutral shipping. Initial friction with neutrals, which

inevitably accompanies the legitimate exercise of this belligerent right, is being gradually smoothed out and it is gratifying, in this connection, to learn of the growing and successful application of the new system.

"Moreover, since the introduction of the embargo on German seaborne exports as a lawful reprisal, replenishment from this source of Germany's supplies of foreign exchange is rapidly becoming impossible."

In reference to the part of the Ministers speech dealing with relations with neutrals the Manchester Guardian says the announcement that fourteen agreements over methods of our economic warfare are now being discussed, or have already been

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GRAF SPEE ECHO: NO POISON GAS

LONDON, Jan. 18 (BWS)—The Captains of the British merchant vessels who were prisoners on board the German battleship Graf Spee at the time of the action off River Plate, who have just returned to England, state that after the battle the German dead were laid out on the deck and the corpses were sprayed with a very strong disinfectant having a pungent and offensive odour.

A great part of the ship was also treated in this way. The British prisoners on board the Graf Spee, moreover, maintained that no suggestion of the possible use of gas shells was made, even by the most inexperienced on board the Graf Spee.

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RAILWAY SMASH KILLS TWELVE: 20 HURT

BERLIN, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—According to the official German News Agency, 12 were killed and 20 injured in a railway smash yesterday near Zittau, Saxony. The accident occurred at a level crossing during a snowstorm. The engine overturned and the first carriages were derailed.

In the World of Sports

IDEAL SHOOTING WEATHER FAVOURS H.K.R.A. SATURDAY AND MID-WEEK MEETINGS: EVERYBODY KEPT ON "QUI VIVE"

There was quite a good muster on the Stonecutters Range for the usual Spoon and Practice shoot on Saturday, over 50 members attending.

Once again they were rewarded by ideal shooting weather, there being no wind at all, and the light was much better than usual at 600 yards.

Mr. J. A. Guard, of the D.R.C., won the nett spoon for the aperture sights class, just beating Mr. A. Simpson, also of the D.R.C., by a higher score at 600 yards.

Sgt. M. F. Rushman, of the R.N. Range Staff, headed the open sights class with a score of 88, just beating Sgt. R. Heap, who crashed badly at 600 yards.

LEADING SCORES

The leading scores on Saturday were as follows:—

S.R. (A)		H.P. 200 500 600 Ttl.	
Sgt. M. F. Rushman	7	28	32 28 88
Pte. J. C. Fonseca	9	29	31 27 87
Sgt. R. J. Heap	3	32	30 25 87
Cpl. V. M. Hammond	1	31	28 26 85
L/Sgt. J. D. Remedios	8	28	30 26 84
Mr. W. K. Gillman	28	27	27 82
Mr. H. S. Jones	11	31	28 79
Pte. G. A. Ribeiro	5	24	30 78
L/Cpl. A. D'Aquino	5	25	25 75
Mae. Jas. Fletcher	8	24	29 75
Capt. F. P. Sequeira	5	25	18 74
Mr. V. R. J. Merrett	7	27	23 74
L/Cpl. J. M. Xavier	7	25	28 74
Cpl. J. C. Remedios	10	26	22 73
L/Sgt. (R) N. L. Pan	7	25	21 72
Mr. A. G. Thurston	11	26	21 72
C.S.M. M. F. Baptista	11	25	21 71
Mae. R. J. Jeffery	14	25	21 69
S.R. (B)			
Mr. J. A. Guard	1	30	33 96
Mr. A. Simpson	4	32	31 96
Sgt. G. E. Breese	1	30	34 94
S.I. (R) A. C. Chan	2	34	30 94
Mr. A. Trenouth	1	32	33 94
Mr. L. W. Peckham	3	30	32 93
Mr. H. G. Foreman	2	30	33 92
Cpl. F. Cole	2	33	33 92
Mr. A. L. Warburton	4	29	31 91

MIDWEEK SHOOT: SIXTY PRESENT

A very successful shoot took place on Wednesday at 200, 500 and 600 yards, 68 members being present. Unfortunately, owing to unforeseen circumstances, the long range shoot originally arranged, had to be postponed till next month.

The weather was very good with a varying cross wind to keep everybody on the "qui vive".

Nett spoons went to P.S.M. V. Cooper, 1st MX, and C.S.M. F. Maslen, R.E., while Handicap spoons were won by Mr. A. F. Evans and L.A.C. W. Gash, both of the R.A.F., in the S.R. (b) class, and L/Cpl. J. E. Hawkins, R.E. and L/Sgt. (R) O. T. Leong, H.K.P.R. in the S.R. (a) class.

NEXT WEDNESDAY SHOOT
Shooting on Wednesday next will be at 200, 500 and 600 yards, and the semi-final of the "Bellios Shield" will be decided between the Naval Range Staff and H.K.P.R. There will also be Revolver Shooting.

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P.S.M. V. Cooper	33	32	32 97
Sgt. F. E. Russell	32	34	31 97
A.S.P. (R) D. Lole	2	34	30 96
Mr. J. A. Guard	1	33	32 96
Capt. F. P. Sequeira	32	33	30 95
Mr. A. F. Evans	3	33	32 95
Mr. H. L. Langley	2	30	34 94
B/M. W. Kilford	32	34	28 94
Sgt. F. J. Heap	31	30	32 93
Sgt. G. E. Breese	1	32	31 93

BOWLING ALLEYS COMPETITION

In a 3rd round game of the Singles Handicap Competition, J. H. Watts (plus 20) beat M. Talan (plus 12) by the narrow margin of 6 pins. Scores follow:—

J. H. Watts	—175, 146, 127. Total, 472.
M. Talan	—121, 164, 181. Total, 466.

K.C.C. V. K.B.G.C. TENNIS MATCH

A return tennis match has been arranged between the K.C.C. and the K.B.G.C. on Sunday, January 1, play commencing at 2.30 p.m.

The following have been selected to represent the K.C.C.:—

LADIES: Mrs. Blandford, Mrs. Crabb, Mrs. Curtis, Mrs. Goodwin, Mrs. Kevan, Mrs. Millard, Mrs. Stokes, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Wexham, Mrs. G. A. White.

GENTLEMEN: Messrs. T. A. Madar (Captain), H. W. Crabb, E. Curtis, G. M. Gillard, T. C. Kevan, S. O. Else, A. C. Perry, H. Wexham, F. Wynter-Blythe.

COLONY CHES TITLE

Games on yesterday's programme in the Colony Chess Championship have been completed with the following results:—

L. Blair 1, O. V. Praslov 0.
A. Kurik 1, Sir H. Pollock 1.
K. Weiss 1, V. V. Kolachoff 0.
E. Zimmern 1, A. Y. Birukoff 0.
B. S. Litvin 1, D. E. de Carvalho 0.

NOMADS HOCKEY TEAM

The following will represent the Nomads Hockey Club in their Association Tournament fixture with the Royal Engineers at Sookunpoo on Sunday, 21st, 10.30 a.m.—
E. A. Alves; R. Xavier; H. Soares; A. Xavier; H. Gubbay; L. Souza; R. M. da Silva; F. O. Reed; S. A. Reed; B. Xavier.

SPORTING FIXTURES TO-DAY

BADMINTON.—Mixed doubles, Recreio B v. Recreio A; K.C.C. v. St. John's.

TO-MORROW

CRICKET LEAGUE.—First division, I.R.C. v. University; Army v. Recreio; K.C.C. v. Craigen-gower. Second division, Craigen-gower v. K.C.C.; Police v. Army; Recreio v. University; Friendlies, Club v. Civil Service; Civil Service Juniors v. Club.

FOOTBALL.—Senior Shield, second round, South China B v. St. Joseph's (Caroline Hill) 4 p.m.; First division, Police v. Kowloon (Boundary St eet); Navy v. Eastern (Causeway Bay); Club v. Kwong Wah (Club) 4 p.m.; Junior shield, first round replay, Kowloon v. 24th R.A. (Kowloon) 4 p.m.; Electric v. South China A (Caroline Hill) 2.30 p.m.

Junior Shield, second round, Eastern v. Engineers (Club) 2.30 p.m.; Second division A, R.A.O.C. v. 30th R.A. (Sookunpoo) 2.30 p.m.; 5th A.A. v. 8th R.A. (Happy Valley) 4 p.m.; Second division B, University v. Signals (Kowloon) 2.30 p.m.; Third division, International v. Kumaons (Happy Valley) 2.30 p.m.



Mr. A. Carmelo, Mexican Consul at Manila, and Capt. J. H. Peterson aboard the 33-foot yawl 'Elvira' which is now on its way to Manila with Capt. Peterson in charge. Mr. Carmelo, the owner, is leaving by steamer for the south and will be on hand to welcome the craft there.

SENIOR SHIELD FOOTBALL

Saints' Team For Tomorrow

The following have been selected to play for St. Joseph's against South China "B" in the second round of the Senior Shield at Caroline Hill tomorrow:—Sammy Tsang; D. Leonard, L. Woo; C. Marques, Hussain, Honniball; Castleton, B. Gosano, A. V. Gosano, Periera and Alves.

The South China "B" team will probably comprise:—Cheung Wing-choi; Hau Yung-sang and Yuen Shu; Yeung Kun-po, Lam Tak-po and Luk Tat-hang; Cheung Nei-sing, Tam Chum-kuen, Chan Tak-fai, Kwok Ying-ki and Lee Shek-yau.

INTERPORT TRIALS

The Colony Interport soccer team selected to meet Indo-China on the Navy ground at Causeway Bay on Feb. 8 will play a trial game against the Combined Services on Jan. 24. The ground has not yet been decided, but it is believed that the game will be played on the Navy ground, Causeway Bay.

The H.K. Interport Team going to Shanghai will meet the Chinese Football Federation in a trial game at Caroline Hill on Jan. 31, in aid of the Chinese Journalists' Association.

THREE MATCHES

SHANGHAI, Jan. 18 (Reuters).—The Secretary of the Shanghai Football Association announced that three matches have been arranged for the Hongkong Interport football team with the actual Interport match on February 8. The visitors will play the Combined Chinese on February 9 and a Combined Foreign eleven on February 11.

UNIV. FOOTBALL, XI

The following have been chosen to represent the University against the Royal Signals tomorrow at 2.15 p.m. sharp on the Kowloon Football Club ground: Y. W. Yeung; A. C. Cheung; S. H. Ling; H. T. Tang, Abraham, Ip Yee; Ko Kim-cheng, Au Sze-ho, Yong Kin-lin, Tam Kong-ye and Cheah Chong-kee.

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuters).—The following matches in the South A regional football competition were played yesterday: Crystal Palace 0, West Ham 3. Tottenham H. 2, Southend 4.

p.m.; R.A.M.C. v. 5th A.A. (Happy Valley) 4 p.m.

HOCKEY.—Caer Clark Cup, St. Andrew's v. Y.M.C.A. (C.B.A.); Recreio v. C.B.S. (Recreio) 3 p.m.; Brawn Cup, St. Andrew's v. C.B.S. (C.B.A.) 4.15 p.m.; Argonauts v. D.G.S. (C.B. School); Y.M.C.A. v. Recreio (King's Park) 3 p.m.

RUGBY.—Club A v. Police A (Sookunpoo), 2.45 p.m.; Army v. Club (Sookunpoo), 4 p.m.

SUNDAY, JAN. 21

FOOTBALL.—Kotewall Cup Competition, South China v. Army or Navy (Caroline Hill) 4 p.m.; Third division, R.A.S.C. v. Electric (Sookunpoo) 2.30 p.m.; 24th R.A. v. 12th R.A. (Sookunpoo) 4 p.m.; South China v. Signals (Caroline Hill) 2.30 p.m.

HOCKEY.—Caer Clark Cup, Recreio v. C.B.S. (Recreio) 3 p.m.

Indo - China Team To Visit Colony

WILL PLAY H.K. AND TWO CLUBS

For the first time in the history of local soccer, individual clubs have been selected to play against visiting Interport teams. This decision was made at an emergency meeting of the Hongkong Football Association held last night when it was arranged for the visiting Interport team from French Indo-China to play one game against South China and one against Eastern after the Interport game against the Colony.

All three matches will be played on the Navy ground at Causeway Bay, the dates being Feb. 8 (Interport), Feb. 9 (S. China) and Feb. 10 (Eastern).

COLONY TEAM

The team selected to represent the Colony against the Federation Cochín Chinoise de Football Association is as follows:—

Robinson (Navy); Blackburn (Police); Lee Tin-sang (S. China "A"); Soong Ling-sing (S. China "A"); Williamson (Kowloon); Hsu King-sing (Eastern); Fowler (Club); Fung King-cheng (S. China "A"); Lee Wai-long (S. China "A"); Thorburn (Navy) and Blackford (Club).

Reserves—Duncan (Royal Scots), Lee Kwok-wai (Kwong Wah), Freshwater (Middlesex) and Lai Shiu-wing (S. China "A"). Mr. W. E. Hollands was appointed team manager.

GOAL - SCORING RECORD AT CAROLINE HILL

Fox Nets Five For Army In Kotewall Cup Match

A LOCAL FOOTBALL RECORD WAS ESTABLISHED BY FOX yesterday while playing for the Army against the Navy in the first round of the Kotewall Cup at Caroline Hill yesterday, when he netted six goals, two of which were headed in. One of the goals was disallowed, however, for off-side by another player but Fox's brilliant feat enabled the soldiers to defeat the sailors by five goals to one, Hendy being responsible for the solitary goal scored by the Navy.

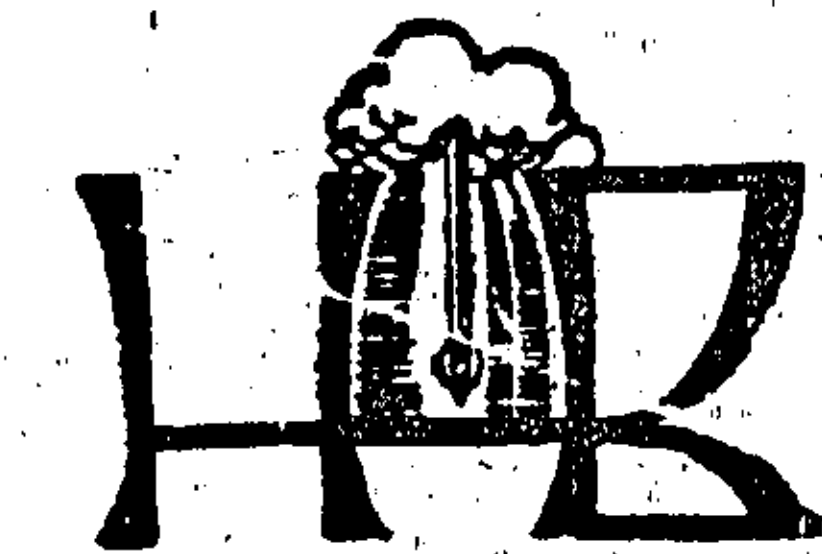
It is the first time on record that a player has scored as many as six, or even five, goals in a first-class competition match in Hongkong.

The game was an entirely one-sided affair with the Army in possession most of the time. Play was slow and scrappy and was marked by a great deal of wild kicking in which both sides were equally to blame.

Ten minutes from the start Fox received a good pass from Pearson to shoot in a fast one. Within a few minutes he headed in another. The Army continued to press and Thorburn tried to score but shot wide.

In a melee at the Navy goal mouth Robinson was injured but resumed play after first aid treatment which held up the game for about five minutes.

Fox headed in a third but owing to an off-side offence by another player, the goal was not allowed. Shortly before half-time Thomas passed to Fox in midfield and the latter took the ball up in a fine



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will be increased by approximate-
ly 15%.

A revised Tariff will be issued
at an early date.

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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

As from 8th February, 1940,
Freight Rates from Hong Kong
to Shanghai, Tsingtao, Weihai-
wei, Chetoo & Tientsin will be
increased by approximately 20%.
New Tariffs are being prepared,
and particulars will be supplied
on application to the undersigned.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents,
China Navigation Co., Ltd.
JARDINE, MATHESON &
CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
Indo-China S.N. Co., Ltd.

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IN THE SUPREME
COURT OF HONG
KONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF
RONALD OLIVER R.
THERFURD late of Ray-
hope, Yetholm, Kello in the
County of Roxburgh, Scot-
land in the United Kingdom
deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that
the Court has by virtue of the
provisions of Section 58 of Ordinance
No. 2 of 1897 made an order
limiting the time for creditors and
others to send in their claims
against the above estate to
11th February, 1940.

All Creditors and others are ac-
cordingly hereby required to send
their claims to the undersigned on
or before that date.

DEACONS.

Solicitors for the Executor,
I. Des Voeux Road Central,
Hong Kong

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WEDDING AT
REGISTRY

The marriage took place yester-
day at the Registry, Supreme
Court, before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith,
Registrar of Marriages, of Mr. U.
Bing-yung, merchant, of No. 23,
Canal Road West, and Miss Mar-
garet Lim, residing at the Chinese
Y.W.C.A., Mr. Koo Kwai-fan, and
Miss Alice F. Kwok were witnesses
of the ceremony.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming mar-
riages are announced:—
Sub-Inspector Chan Woot-yung,
of the Hongkong Police Force,
and Miss Lam Kam-ye, of No. 58,
Yu Chau Street;

Mr. Lau Wai, manager of the
South Western Aviation Corpora-
tion, Nanning, and Miss So Yick-
ju, of No. 77, Stewart Road, third
floor;

Mr. Kwok Tze-see, of the
South Western Transportation Co.,
Haiphong, and Miss Siu Kam-ping,
of No. 438, Prince Edward Road,
first floor;

Mr. Akwon Lawson, merchant,
of No. 4, Hankow Road, and Miss
Tam Chung-chi, of the same ad-
dress;

Able-Seaman Cyril Lumley Bos-
well, of the Sailors' and Soldiers'
Institute, and Miss Chang Ying,
of No. 43C Peking Road, third
floor.

His Majesty the King spent
Wednesday with the troops of the
Southern Command and inspected
divisions which are shortly to pro-
ceed overseas.—(Reuter).

BIRTH
REYNOLDS.—On January 14, 1940,
at the Country Hospital,
Shanghai, to Stella, wife of
Ronald V. Reynolds, a daugh-
ter.

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QUACK, QUACK
A CIVIL WAR!

IT IS A MATTER FOR SOME
REGRET that the Shang-
hai office of an agency as re-
putable as Reuter's should so
far be influenced by the
environment of the occupied
territories as to permit itself
not only to fall into the trap
of accepting the Japanese
version of happenings in the
interior of Free China, but
also to perpetrate the sin, un-
pardonable for an organiza-
tion devoted to the accurate
reporting of news, of com-
menting on such happenings
in the way most pleasing to
China's enemies.

THE LATEST EXAMPLE of
this is the sensational report,
given the dignity of a place
on the poster of one of our
local contemporaries, regard-
ing the alleged menace of a
large scale civil war in the
province of Shansi. This re-
port, issued, of all places, in
Shanghai, and quoting un-
named "travellers" (surely
too flimsy a peg for a scoop
so resounding) is inaccurate
from one end to the other.
Two hundred and fifty thou-
sand men, it begins, are in-
volved, belonging to two
Shansi armies under the com-
mand of General Yen Hsi-
shan. Yet it is well known
to everyone with a glimmer of
knowledge of the situation,
that the total of all armies in
the war zone of which Gen.
Yen is the head—including
not only provincial units but
also many Central Govern-
ment divisions under General
Wei Li-huang and the entire
Eighth Route Army, barely
reaches this figure. Fighting
against the Japanese, it says,
has been suspended. Yet we
know of continuous Chinese
triumphs in the Chungtao
mountain range, and not even
Domei has been bold enough
to report the sensational
"mopping-up" of the de-
fending forces that would
have been so easy of accom-
plishment had the defenders
truly turned from resistance
to mutual strife. The "tra-
vellers" who, having presum-
ably come from the enemy-
occupied parts of Shansi to
occupied Shanghai through
other occupied territory are
so well versed in all that is
going on behind the Chinese
lines have many other in-
teresting "facts" to report—
all of the same calibre.

BUT THIS IS NOT ALL.
From mere feckless report-
ing, Reuter's Shanghai writers
pass imperturbably into the
more attractive realm of pro-
phesy. "The Eighth Route
Army," they say, "may at any
moment decide to go to the
assistance of their friends
(one of the allegedly conflict-
ing armies). If this should
happen, Central Government
troops would, it is declared
(by whom?) have to be sent
to aid the other side. This
would mean open warfare be-
tween the Central Govern-
ment troops and the Com-
munist Eighth Route Army." Apart from the aspect in-
volving the ethical respon-
sibility of a news-agency
giving currency to irrespon-
sible opinions, this entire
"interpretation" is a cameo
of political illiteracy. Suffice
it to say that it ignores com-
pletely the history, through-
all vicissitudes, of China's
unity in resistance and
chooses to forget the obvious

A SCIENTIST'S
VIEW OF LIFEY'S MEN'S CLUB
ADDRESS

Dr. Y. T. Chiu, Professor of
Chemistry of the Lingnan Univer-
sity, was the guest speaker at the
weekly luncheon of the Hongkong
Y's Men's Club yesterday. His sub-
ject was "A Scientist's View of
Life."

Addressing the gathering, Dr.
Chiu said that to a scientist, life
was a puzzle and a mystery.

Dr. Chiu cited the work of Nobel,
who invented dynamite, and al-
though many had been benefited
by his achievement, millions had
died through the misuse of his in-
vention. No scientist would enjoy life
if he were to devote his whole time
to invent some deadly thing in
order to kill.

Dr. Chiu also dwelt on the patience
and perseverance of the sci-
entists in the laboratories to
find ways and means to lighten
the sufferings of human beings.

During discussion, the speaker
disclosed that in the near future,
Hongkong will see the product of
soya bean milk. He remarked that
the liquid was essential for health,
and was just as nourishing as
cow's milk.

CANTON UNIVERSITY
CLUB'S MESSAGE
TO I.P.C.

Mr. Fung Si Min, President of
the Canton University Political
Science Club, Mr. Lee Shut Hing,
President of the Canton University
Economics Society, and Mr. Sunny
Tai, President of the Canton Uni-
versity English Club, have jointly
cabled a congratulatory message
to the President of the China
Branch of the International Peace
Campaign in Chungking, on the
occasion of its 25th anniversary
on Jan. 23.

The cable reads: "It gives great
pleasure to send you this congrat-
ulatory message. Through your
unfailing effort, we are absolutely
confident that you will help pro-
mote the anti-aggression campaign
and achieve at an early date the
programme of national reconstruc-
tion."

CONFIDENCE IN
CHUNGKING

Speaking at the Vagabond Rotary
meeting, held at Cafe de Chine
yesterday, Mr. T. C. Tai, of the
Bank of China, in Chungking, who
arrived here recently, commented
on the confidence of the people in
Chungking who lived comfortably
in spite of the high cost of living.

Mr. Geo. Auyang presided at the
meeting. Those present were Messrs. Y. Y.
Wong, of Amoy, T. T. Poon, Gock
Ying, F. I. Tsung, H. T. Y. M.
Liu, Kai Loay, K. I. Liu, Gin Liao,
Park Fung, J. M. Choy, Edward
Shien, C. T. Wang, Fung P. Fan,
P. K. D. Tyau, and Dr. Arthur Woo.
The guests were Mr. Chow Sik-on
and Mr. Y. Y. Wong.

H.K. QUARANTINE
RESTRICTIONS

The quarantine restrictions im-
posed by the Port of Shanghai
against arrivals from Hongkong on
account of cholera have been re-
moved.

Quarantine restrictions have
been imposed by the Government
of the Straits Settlements against
arrivals from Hongkong on ac-
count of small-pox.

The quarantine restrictions im-
posed by the Government of the
Netherlands Indies against arrivals
from Hongkong on account of
cholera have been removed.

precedent from which the
attitude of the anti-Japanese
Eighth Route Army to any
real routine in another army
can be surmised—the record
of the Sian incident.

COMING FROM THE
SOURCE that spent many
months of last year "report-
ing" spurious tales of im-
pending Chinese surrender
and gave currency to such
fantastic canards as T. V.
Soong's "trip to Moscow,"
Prince Konoye's "visit to
Hongkong" and the Soviet
Ambassador's flight to Shang-
hai" to negotiate peace be-
tween Chungking and Wang
Ching-wei" all in one hectic
September week, this newest
example of "political clair-
voyance, or is it merely wish-
ful thinking, hardly merits
the compliment of serious
factual analysis.



Photographed at the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives Ex-
hibition held at the China Emporium. Left to right: His Ex-
cellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, Dr. C. T. Wang,
Miss Lucy Liang, Miss Elsie Fairfax-Cholmeley, Dr. Chen Han-
seng, Secretary of the H.K. Promotion Committee of the C.I.C.,
Hon. Sir Robert Kotewall and Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, A.D.C.
(Photo, S. H. Hsia).

Nazi Officer's Anxiety To
See His Wife Led To The
Discovery Of German Plans
Against Belgium & Holland

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—A remarkable story of how the Bel-
gian and Dutch Governments came into possession of the Nazi plans,
which led them to take special defence measures, appears in the
Daily Telegraph.

It is stated that a German officer's haste to rejoin his newly-
married wife was the prime cause in the chain of events which re-
sulted in the plans falling into Belgian hands.

A German aeroplane containing
two officers made a forced landing
at Mechelen, on the Meuse, last
Wednesday. One then carried
very secret documents relating to
the transfer of twenty-two divi-
sions of troops from the neigh-
bourhood of Berlin to the left bank
of the Rhine. Some were to go to
the Dutch frontier, while the great
majority were destined for the
Belgian frontier.

RECENTLY MARRIED.
This officer belonged to the group
of armies with headquarters in
Cologne and had been ordered to
take the documents from Berlin to
Cologne travelling by train, but he
was only recently married and his
wife was living in Cologne, and he
was naturally anxious to reach his
destination as soon as possible.

Hearing that a friend was about
to pilot an aeroplane to Cologne,
he decided to take this chance of
reaching wife much more speedily.
The pilot, however, made a naviga-
tional mistake and crossed the
Rhine northwards of Cologne and
found himself over the Dutch bor-
der.

He was greeted by anti-aircraft
fire and subsequently had to make
a forced landing.

The officer tried to set fire to the
papers with matches which he
borrowed from a peasant, but was
prevented by Belgian soldiers.

The two Germans were taken to
the nearest military post for ques-
tioning and the Belgian Intelli-
gence Service was speedily able to
confirm that the troop movements
mentioned in the documents were
actually occurring.

H.K.U. ARTS
ASSCN. PLAY"The Professor
From Peking"

The Hongkong University Arts
Association, which successfully pro-
duced Prof. S. I. Hsing's transla-
tion of "L'ady Paelicus Stream" a
few years ago, last night presented
the same author's latest play, "The
Professor from Peking," in the
Great Hall.

The performance was chiefly for
students of local schools, and the
first public performance will take
place tonight, when H. E. the Gov-
ernor is expected to attend.

COMPLICATED CHARACTER.
Produced by Mr. E. L. Mackenzie,
the play is an attempt to analyse
the complicated character of Pro-
fessor Chang, a revolutionary and
an opportunist. Its three acts have
been designed to bring in the three
main events in recent Chinese his-
tory: the 1919 students' rising in
Peking, the Hankow split of 1927
and the Japanese occupation of
Nanking in 1937.

Mr. Luk Mang-hei plays the part
of the Professor, whilst others in
the cast are Mr. Leslie Sung, Mr.
John Huang, Mr. Yu Tsai-siu, Miss
Catherine Lai, Miss Ng Tung-king,
Miss Wong Tui-ho and Miss Chang
Pik-lin.

Mr. P. K. Chu, Secretary of the
Hongkong branch of the Chinese-
American Institute of Cultural Re-
lations, who has been appointed
Chinese Vice-General in Manila,
will sail for the Philippines on Jan.
28.

LEADERS BUY
SAVINGS
CERTIFICATES

CHUNGKING, January 18 (Central).—At a meeting of the stand-
ing committee of the National
Economy and Savings Commission
held here on January 15, it was
announced that Generalissimo
Chiang Kai-shek, Madame Chiang
and Dr. H. H. Kung had all bought
\$1,000 worth of National Economy
Savings Certificates issued by the
Postal Bank.

Mr. Yeh Chu-tsang, secretary-
general of the Central Kuomintang
Headquarters, who is chairman of
the Commission, briefly dwelt on
the very satisfactory progress made
in the promotion of the certi-
ficates in the remotest parts of the
country. It was decided at the
meeting that branches of the Na-
tional Economy and Savings Com-
mission are to be established at all
Government departments to fur-
ther the sales of the certificates.

The publicity campaign, which
has achieved notable results, will
be further intensified under the
direction of the Commission.
A full session of the Commis-
sion will be held in the beginning
of February next.

Newsettes

The French Minister of Arms-
aments has arrived in London for
important discussions with Mr.
Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply
(Reuter).

Princess Chi of the West Ban-
ner and Princess Pa of the East
Banner, called on Generals Yen
Hsi-shan and Chu Shou-kwang,
Superintendent and Assistant
Superintendent to the Suiyuan
Mongolian Local Autonomy Coun-
cil at an undisclosed place on
January 13 when they presented
flags to them as a token of res-
pect.

Following an eight-day visit, Mr.
Chen Li-fu, Minister of Education,
left Kwelyang for Chungking on
Tuesday. Prior to his departure,
he told interviewers that he will
bring up the question of the
establishment of an Agricultural
and Engineering College in Kwei-
chow before the Executive Yuan
after his return to Chungking. He
said he was happy to note that
the universities and colleges in
Kweichow were able to carry on
under trying circumstances.

The Chinese Labour Federation
on Wednesday held a meeting in
commemoration of the 18th anni-
versary of the death of Huang Ai
and Pang Jen-hsun, two Hunanese
labour leaders, who were executed
outside Liu Yang Men (gate),
Changsha, on January 17, 1923.

They incurred the fire of the then
government authorities through
their leadership in the labour
movement. Mr. Ma Chao-chun,
former Mayor of Nanking, presid-
ed at the meeting and more than
800 workers were present.

CROWDS HELPED CZECHS
TO DODGE GESTAPOEscaped Prisoners Fight
For Allies

The Czech Legion are ready to go to the front. This band of
resolute, determined men, each man a refugee from his own
country, have been in training since the beginning of the war.
Many suffered nights of starvation hiding in the mountains,
were hunted by the Gestapo, were caught and imprisoned before
they escaped across the frontier.

From all over Europe they have
come to fight with the Allies,
writes an Evening Standard re-
porter.

One of them told me how the
people of Czechoslovakia, at great
risk, helped these men to escape
from the Germans.

"The people everywhere
helped us. Everyone hates the
Hitler regime, and those who
cannot get out of the country
serve their country by helping
others to escape."
My informant was called one
day to the office of the Gestapo.
Some informant had given him
away.

He was accused of treason and
given over to two Nazis, who
marched him off to prison.

As they marched across the
market-place outside the town hall,
the Czech broke his hands free and
struck out at his guards.

THEIR SECRET

Crowds jostled the guards,
and the prisoner ran for
his bicycle, outside the Gestapo
office, and rode away.

Nearly every man has some story
of adventure to tell. One story—
one of the most thrilling of the
war—they will not tell. That is
the story of the escape of 600 of
Czechoslovakia's "ace" pilots who
will now fight for the Allies.
It is a secret. The Nazis will
never know how it was done.

ECONOMIC STRAITS

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concluded with neutral govern-
ments, must be regarded as one
of the important things in the
speech.

Commenting on the general
effect of British economic pres-
sure, the Manchester Guardian
says, "It will become really heavy
only when Germany can create an
environment of victory and other
harder measures we shall have to
use, before we snatch it. That is
the thought which the people
should always remember."

CLOSER CO-ORDINATION

Several newspapers, while fully
recognising economic pressure is
one of the most vital factors upon
which reliance to win the war will
be placed, emphasise the need for
still closer co-ordination in vari-
ous directions.

The News-Chronicle calls for
the appointment of a Minister to
give new direction and impetus to
the economic policy in the war—
a Minister with authority to co-
ordinate the work of several de-
partments and see that a boldly
conceived plan is carried out.

The Times also, while agreeing
that the "kind of organisation to-
wards which Mr. Cross is working
will doubtless secure the neces-
sary co-ordination between the
Ministry of Economic Warfare, the
Board of Trade and other depart-
ments concerned," says it does
not touch the larger problem of
dovetailing this activity into a
whole campaign for stimulating
export trade in general of decid-
ing how much of export power
should be used, if necessary, on an
uneconomic basis to block Ger-
many's access to supplies, and
how much of it must be used to
pay for the supplies we need our-
selves.

TRANSITION

And this in itself is only part of
the still larger problem of how
we can best use our sources in
manpower, capital, equipment and
financial reserves to the win war
as quickly as possible. For us
though not for Germany, transi-
tion from peacetime to wartime
economy involved immense dis-
location. And transition is still
far from complete.

LATE SERGEANT
CRANK

SHANGHAI, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—
That the fatal shot which hit the
late Sergeant Duncan E. Crank
was fired from the gun of a Chi-
nese constable, Sheng Chi-chang,
attached to the West Hongkong
Police Station, has been definitely
established as the result of ballis-
tic examination.

The constable was placed under
arrest on the day of the incident
that week and will be held until
early next month pending the re-
sult of the inquest on the Sergeant
on January 26.

Nazi - Soviet
SquabbleUSE OF POLISH
RAILWAY

BUCHAREST, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—
The Czernaul-Lwow-Cracow Rail-
way, by which the Germans hoped
to import large quantities of Ru-
manian produce following its re-
opening in December, has again
ceased to function.

ACCUSATIONS MADE

The Germans accuse the Rus-
sians of making difficulties for the
transport of trains across Soviet-
occupied Poland, while the Rus-
sians say that the Germans and
Rumanians failed to fulfil the terms
of agreement under which the
railway resumed working.

A German Commission is now in
the frontier investigating the pos-
ition.

SINO - MALAYAN
CULTURAL ASSN.

SINGAPORE, Jan. 18 (Central).—
A suggestion has been made for
the organisation of a Sino-Mala-
yan Cultural Association following
the arrival in Singapore of the
Chinese Mohammedans' Goodwill
Mission.

Meanwhile, a committee has been
formed to collect medicine for the
wounded soldiers and refugees.

Since its arrival here on January
10th, the Mission has been heartily
welcomed by Mohammedans, over-
seas Chinese and government offi-
cials. Sent by the Chinese Moham-
medans' National Salvation, it is
composed of three prominent
Mohammedans, Messrs. Ma Tien-
ying, Wu Chien-hsun and Ma. Ta-
wu.

CHINESE TO VISIT
RANGOON

CHUNGKING, Jan. 18 (Central).—
Led by Dr. C. T. Wang, former
Chinese Ambassador to the United
States and Chairman of the Na-
tional Amateur Athletic Federation,
a girls' basketball team and a
volleyball team and a singing and
dramatic troupe will shortly tour
Rangoon and the neighbouring dis-
tricts.

Mr. U Ba Lwin, head of the re-
cent Burmese Goodwill Mission to
China and vice-chairman of the
Sino-Burmese Cultural Associa-
tion, has already wired his wel-
come to the party.

U.S. SAFETY ZONE
& BRITISH REPLY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 (Reu-
ter).—The U.S. Secretary of State,
Mr. Cordell Hull, said he pre-
ferred to examine all phases of
the British reply regarding the
safety zone before making a state-
ment on the United States posi-
tion. Mr. Hull added that he had
heard nothing from Germany and
France regarding the safety zone.

NAZI ATTACK

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—The
German press is now busily attack-
ing Britain's reply to the American
Republics' on the Graf Spee battle
and the suggested safety zone.

The Deutsche Allgemeine Zeit-
ung, for instance, says that the
British reply proves that the British
conception of neutrality is different
from that of other countries.

BRITAIN'S REVENUE
AND EXPENDITURE

LONDON, Jan. 18 (BWS).—Re-
venue for week showed a surplus
of £37,289,000 over the week's ex-
penditure, reducing the deficit to
date to £280,247,000.

Ordinary revenue for the finan-
cial year to date totals £632,697,-
000, while ordinary expenditure
amounts to £612,944,000. Total
expenditure from loan account
stands at £362,662,000.

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—
British Contraband Control de-
tained 3,384 tons of contraband
goods destined for Germany dur-
ing the week ending Jan. 13, mak-
ing a total, since the beginning of
the war, of 47,000 tons.

SITUATION IN THE LOWLANDS REMAINS UNCHANGED: GERMANS SEEK EXCUSE IN CHARGING DUTCH WITH TERRITORY VIOLATION

French Troops Prepare Flooding Measures To Stem Any Offensive

BRUSSELS, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—The situation in the Lowland countries remains unchanged and it is reported that official Belgian quarters express the opinion that if nothing happens in the international situation in the next twenty-four hours, some of the troops mobilised may be released.

The Belgian Foreign Minister had interviews with the British, French and German Ambassadors, but no statements have been issued.

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Despite the Dutch official denial, the German News Agency yesterday repeated the assertion of the German High Command communique that a Dutch plane flew over German territory, near Nordhorn, on January 13.

The Agency stated that Dutch violation of German territory had been established beyond doubt, adding that the plane was recognised by the colour of its markings.

KINHWA, Jan. 18 (Central)—A three-year administrative scheme for Chekiang has been promulgated by the Provincial Government.

ALLIED ORDERS FOR PLANES FROM U.S.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—According to reliable reports, proposals by Britain and France for tripling their present orders for American warplanes were discussed yesterday by President Roosevelt and Mr. Morganthau and Army and Navy officials.

Britain and France are said to have notified the United States that they contemplate ordering, for speed delivery, upwards of 8,000 planes and even more engines.

RUMANIAN FRONTIERS FORTIFIED

POWERFUL DEFENCE LINES BUILT

BUCHAREST, Jan. 18 (Havas)—Rumania is at present completing the construction of a strongly fortified line covering her frontiers, chiefly west and north, according to well-informed circles.

It is reported that King Carol ordered the construction of a fortified line immediately after the Munich Agreement and tens of thousands of workers have carried out the order.

POWERFUL LINE

There is now a gigantic 138-foot wide dug out all along the northern frontier which can be flooded within one hour. Behind the moat is a powerful line of machine-gun nests and anti-tank barriers to protect the frontiers.

Because of their high cost, concrete defence works and used only in highly strategic places, notably for the protection of the mountain passes in the Carpathian Range.

SPANISH-BULGARIAN COMMERCIAL PACT

MADRID, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Spain has concluded a commercial Agreement with Bulgaria.

Italian Independence Emphasized

FASCIST LEADER'S SPEECH

ROME, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—A warning that Italy might "find it necessary to take up arms at any moment," was uttered by Gen. Emilio Muzi, the new Secretary of the Fascist Party, in a speech to Provincial Fascist leaders.

He said: "Let no one sleep with the illusion that Italy's present attitude to the war will last forever."

FASCIST ATTITUDE

Gen. Muzi affirmed the uncompromising attitude of Fascism towards Democracy, Bolshevism and Bourgeois Ideology.

The statement is regarded in diplomatic circles as emphasizing Italy's complete independence in her foreign policy.

Considerable irritation has been caused in Fascist circles by the frequent allusions in the British and French press, since the recent Italian Cabinet reshuffle, to a possible change in favour of the Allies of the Italian Government's attitude.

NO CHANGE

Gen. Muzi declared: "The recent changes in the Government and the Party should not be interpreted as indicating any change whatever in the path followed by the revolution."

IL DUCE'S EFFORTS

Havas message adds that General Muzi added that Italians should not be under the illusion that Italy will be able to maintain for ever her present privileged position, which was only rendered possible through Il Duce's unceasing efforts.

LEAVE FOR B.E.F. TENSION EASES

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Limited Home leave for the B.E.F. will be resumed, according to a message from Reuter's special correspondent in France.

Tonight from various rail-roads, trains are carrying soldiers on the way home.

This fact indicates that the tension of the week-end, though not relaxed, at any rate had eased considerably.

BITTER COLD

PARIS, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Both land and air activity on the Western Front has been reduced and practically suspended as a result of the bitter cold and further heavy storms during the night.

Yesterday's war communique states that it was a quiet day on the whole. There was activity by our patrols.

Volunteers for Finland—believed to number 10,000—who have been undergoing training to fit them for conditions of semi-Arctic warfare, would soon be ready to enter the fighting line as a complete unit.

ATTACKS HALTED

HELSINKI, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—The bitter weather has brought to a halt the Soviet air attacks because few of their planes are equipped with any device to prevent ice from forming on the wings.

Little activity took place in land operations for the same reason, though a Finnish communique speaks of patrols harassing the Soviet troops in the region north of Lake Ladoga.

FUTURE OF SWEDEN

Special to the H.K. Daily Press STOCKHOLM, Jan. 18 (Havas)—The Swedish Foreign Minister, M. Christian Guenther, in a speech stressed that help to Finland was an integral of Swedish foreign policy. He insisted that Sweden's future was very much dependent upon Finland's although Sweden must take into consideration the necessity to maintain a neutral attitude in the European conflict.

With both sides finding it difficult to advance along the Franco-German border, the European conflict may extend to some countries. Therefore, the Swedish Government should take every care to avoid measures which might be considered contrary to her neutrality.

The Prime Minister, M. Albin Peter Hansson, also stressed the determination to grant aid to Finland. At the same time the Government were taking steps to curb Communism and were ready to take drastic measures if necessary.

"SHEER INVENTION"

MOSCOW, Jan. 18 (Havas)—The Tass Agency has branded as "sheer invention" the reports appearing in the Frankfurter Zeitung asserting that the Soviet claimed the annexation of the Petsamo region in Northern Finland. The official Soviet mouthpiece declared that such a demand was never voiced by the Soviet.

REPORT DENIED

PARIS, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Prince Aage has denied the report that he has offered his services to the Finnish Army.

The Prince said that despite his great sympathy for the heroic Finnish nation, he would consider it his duty to remain at his post as major in the French Foreign Legion.

SWEDISH VOLUNTEERS

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—It is reported that Swedish vo-

Fresh Russian Attack On Salla Front: Big Battle Raging In The Worst Cold In Finland

HELSINKI, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Fighting in the worst cold that Finland has experienced in 35 years, the Finns are facing a new Russian onslaught on the Salla Front.

The Russians have launched three new attacks in their drive westwards towards the Gulf of Bothnia and a big battle is still raging.

Two of these attacks have been broken and the Finns are counter-attacking and advancing towards Salla from the west. The Finns have retaken Kursu.

SOVIET SUCCESS

Only in the south have the Russian had success and here the Finns are falling back in good order to new positions at Vitavara.

Finnish patrols report that the Russians were withdrawing heavy guns, presumably as a precaution to avoid the heavy losses that they suffered in the defeat on the Suomussalmi Front.

EASTERN FRONT

On the Eastern Front the Finns scored a big success near Kitea, north of the lake, where, after three days hard fighting, the Russians have suddenly fallen back, abandoning several guns and 29 fast tanks. The retreat was attributed to lack of supplies.

The intense cold is hampering Soviet air activity. Meantime, the Finnish tactics, apart from trench warfare, in the Karelian Isthmus, are directed at destroying the enemy's morale by harassing operations by patrols which unexpectedly attack their rear and flanks, keeping the Russians in constant fear of being cut off from their supplies and starved and frozen.

OBSERVERS ASTONISHED

Military observers are astonished at the Finns' incredible contempt for heavy masses of men and machinery, especially tanks.

The Finns brilliantly produced a number of "nursery tricks," by which a single man put a tank out of action. In some cases, a Finnish soldier leapt on to a tank and hit the machine-gun with a heavy pole, bending its barrel and then dealing with it at leisure.

The Russians apparently found it necessary to bring up reinforcements on several fronts and, in one sector, they have put into the line cadets who are being trained as officers.

SOVIET AIR RAIDS

HELSINKI, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—It is now becoming clear that Soviet air raids over Finland are aimed at anything on sight, even at private individuals, miles from any fighting front.

In future, therefore, the Finns will no longer be issued the names of the towns that are bombed.

Typical of the herdsman of the Finnish armymen fighting the Soviet

EXPLOSION IN POWDER FACTORY

WINDOWS BROKEN FOR 15 MILES

GIBBS TOWN (New Jersey), Jan. 18 (Reuter)—An explosion of 6,000 pounds of nitroglycerine wrecked the building of a powder factory owned by the Dupont Denemours Company.

The explosion, which was at first believed to be an earthquake, shattered windows fifteen miles distant in the suburbs of Philadelphia and, according to first reports, two men are missing.

TWO KILLED

A later message states that two persons were killed and one injured in the explosion.

The Police and Federal Bureau of Investigation officials have started enquiries, but are withholding comment in regard to whether there was any possibility of sabotage.

"TO CONTROL THE SEAS"

U.S. ADMIRAL'S PLEA FOR BIGGER NAVY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—The United States should have a swarm of destroyers "to control the seas," in the event of war, declared Rear-Adm. S.M. Robinson, Chief of Naval Engineering, testifying before the Naval Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives.

REPLY TO CRITICISM

He was defending the programme for building destroyers, against the criticism of Mr. Vinson, who said that, perhaps, the destroyer figures in the Naval Expansion Bill were too large.

Rear-Adm. Robinson added: "Our situation is much like that of England in regard to control of the seas. A nation like Germany, at the outbreak of war, must surrender control of the seas."

DUTCH SHIP WAS SUNK BECAUSE SHE CARRIED CARGO FOR S. AFRICA

LISBON, Jan. 18 (REUTERS)—THE CREW OF THE DUTCH VESSEL ARENDSEK, WHICH WAS TORPEDOED BY A NAZI SUBMARINE, HAVE BEEN LANDED BY THE DUTCH LINER POELAU BRAS.

The Arendsekk's Captain, Mr. C. H. J. Wyker, interviewed by Reuter, said that they were bound for Capetown and Durban with a general cargo.

Record U.S. Exports In December

LARGE SHIPMENTS FOR ALLIES

NEW YORK, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Exports from the United States last month amounted to \$358,000,000—the largest for nearly a decade, \$11,000,000 more than in November and \$92,000,000 higher than in December, 1938.

PRINCIPAL FACTORS

Large shipments of aeroplanes, petroleum and metals to the Allies constituted the principal factors in the enlarged total. Aeroplanes alone were valued at \$29,000,000 and accounted for most of the increase.

Anglo-French purchases increased from \$44,000,000 in November to \$88,000,000 in December.

COTTON EXPORTS

Exports of cotton also increased suddenly from \$30,000,000 to \$43,000,000.

Latin-American countries were turning to the U.S. owing to the war and had increased their purchases by about \$8,000,000 to \$75,000,000, while purchases from Asiatic countries had swelled by about \$15,000,000 to \$68,000,000.

U.S. TOBACCO IMPORTS

Special to the H.K. Daily Press LONDON, Jan. 18 (Havas)—The Government has decided to temporarily interrupt imports of American tobacco of which two-and-a-half years' supply is already stored in Britain.

Henceforth, Virginia tobacco will be no more used alone in cigarettes but will be mixed with ten or fifteen per cent. Turkish or Greek tobacco.

BELGIAN SHIP STRIKES MINE

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—The Belgian steamer Josephine Charlotte (3,422 tons) struck a mine yesterday afternoon and sank. The captain and crew were rescued.



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Legislation For Restricting U.S. Exports To Japan Is Predicted

PROPOSALS BEFORE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Senator Pittman stated that the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee will take up the whole question of Japanese-American relations at its first meeting on Jan. 31. Mr. Cordell Hull will probably be asked for reports on the progress of negotiations on a possible new trade treaty.

TWO PROPOSALS

Two proposals for an embargo on exports to Japan, as well as a resolution to invoke the Neutrality Act in connection with the Sino-Japanese war will also be before the Committee.

Senator Gillette, who on Tuesday introduced a resolution calling on Congress to set in motion the machinery operating the Neutrality Act in the Far East conflict, predicted to reporters yesterday that the Committee would approve of legislation restricting exports to Japan.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Reports from Tokyo, indicating that America's attitude towards the trade talks with Japan and other pending problems might force Japan to seek rapprochement with Moscow are doing nothing to disturb Washington's calm concerning the pending abrogation of the Trade Treaty.

The matter is arousing very small public interest and attention is generally now being focussed on European affairs, especially the problem of aiding the Finns.

AFTER EXPIRATION

A Havas message adds that Senator Pittman, after the expiration of the trade treaty with Japan on Jan. 26, will study the situation again in order to determine what conditions for an embargo will be most favourable to U.S. interests.

HUGE LOAN CONVERSION

SIMON'S APPEAL TO INVESTORS

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Referring in the House of Commons yesterday to the proposal to take the earliest opportunity to repay the 1940-44 four-and-a-half per cent. conversion loan, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, declared that the rate of interest on this was high and formal notice of the repayment of the loan on July 1 is being given in the London Gazette tonight.

CASH ALTERNATIVE

Holders are offered as cash the alternative of conversion into the new loan, carrying two per cent. and repayable on par on July 1, 1945 with the Treasury reserving the right to redeem at par, wholly or in part, after July 1, 1943.

The 4½ per cent. loan would receive £100 in the new loan for every £100 converted.

Sir John made an appeal to investors not to opt for repayment, except for the purpose of re-lending money to the Government.

WHITE PAPER

A White Paper was issued at the conclusion of Sir John Simon's statement explaining the Bill dealing with the powers of the Treasury, which will be passed through all stages today.

The necessity for the Bill arises from the fact that it proposed in regard to any holder of the four per cent. loan who has applied for repayment at a certain date, or for conversion, as having accepted the offer to convert his holdings.

It is estimated that the conversion would save approximately £3,000,000 to £3,000,000 annually in interest.

Press Comment On Speeches By Premier, Hore - Belisha

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—Monday's speeches by Mr. Hore Belisha and Mr. Neville Chamberlain naturally provided the British press with an almost inexhaustible subject for comment. On one point all are unanimous in their praise for the moderation and dignity of Mr. Hore Belisha's speech.

On the general question of whether the resignation was best in the interests of the steady prosecution of the war, there is also fairly general, though not entire, agreement.

Such comment as there is, is to the effect that even now no one is any wiser as to the reasons for the change.

The Times says that Mr. Hore Belisha's speech and the good air of Belisha's behaviour naturally gave it all an unreal atmosphere.

"What was the truth?" asks the paper. "The Prime Minister approached the point; he skirted the point, but he never did come to the point."

"All that he would say was that he became aware of difficulties arising out of the very great qualities of Mr. Hore Belisha."

"All that the country now knows," concludes the News Chronicle, "is that Mr. Hore Belisha seems to have been too good for his job."

FINDING SEATS IN COMMONS FOR NEW MINISTERS

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—As a result of the efforts to find Parliamentary seats for the new Ministers Sir Andrew Duncan and Sir John Reith, it is expected that Sir Alan Anderson will resign from the City of London and Sir Charles Barrie from Southampton. Neither Labour nor Liberals would oppose the new ministers.

On the other hand, the News Chronicle feels that Mr. Chamber-

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We all know that sleep is necessary to maintain life, but very few of us realise that there are just as many rules necessary, and which should be observed, as in any other method of obtaining beauty.

Because deep, sound, healthful slumber is a beauty giver. But what use courting beauty when we go to bed with the day's make-up still clogging the skin.

Along night's rest will store up fresh energy, will help keep the skin clear and the eyes white and sparkling, but it cannot prevent open pores when the skin is covered with irritating grit.

REMOVE COSMETICS

Therefore make certain that every scrap of cosmetic is removed with warm water and soap, and then apply a little skin food so that the underlying tissues will be rejuvenated whilst you are peacefully slumbering.

But do you slumber peacefully, or is your rest disturbed? Sleep to be helpful, must be sound and deep, not elusive. Nor should it be disturbed with dreams. Very often sleep is hard to woo because you do not know how to relax. Many people have a habit of clenching their jaws. This will prevent sleep coming quickly.

When you first slip in between those sheets make up your mind that every muscle in the body will become loose and unstrained. Not a taut muscle should be present, and remember to allow those jaws to relax as well. No teeth clenching, please.

Dreams are caused by the continuation of mental activities associated with the day's doings, or by meals eaten irregularly or taken just before retiring.

Of course, ill-health can also cause dreams and nightmares, but in this case you should consult a physician.

AMOUNT OF SLEEP

The amount of sleep necessary for each person is a debatable point. Some men have as few as three hours daily. But they do not have to worry about their looks. Women, if they wish to preserve their beauty, will need much more sleep than this, and although it is not necessary to go to bed with the fowls, it is always wise to receive our full quota of sleep during the dark, noiseless hours.

Even this is not essential, as many of the world's most beautiful women do not retire until the quiet early hours of the morning, but they have an advantage over you and I. They do not have to arise early to face another day's toil, but even the actress and film star, even

though they retire at unearthly hours, still see that they have sufficient slumber.

If you find that it is hard to drop off to sleep, try a few minutes at the following exercise, which will draw the blood away from your head—Lie down on the floor, placing the hands on the hips, and then sit up slowly, keeping the legs straight in front of you. Repeat this exercise 10 times.

READING IN BED

Whilst the habit of reading in bed is conducive to sleep with some people, on others it has the opposite effect, and in this matter we must allow our own judgment to be the arbiter.

The pillow we use should neither be too high nor too low. Low, soft pillows are conducive to double-chins. A hard pillow is the best foundation for your head.

While it is immaterial upon which side we lie, it is sometimes found that it is easier to fall asleep whilst lying on the right side. The reason for this is that the heart then functions best.

BENEFIT OF HOT BATH

And then there is the matter of your supper or bed-time drink. If you are of a nervous disposition and are a trifle underweight, you will find that a glass of warm milk is an excellent bed-time drink. Not only is it fastening, but it helps you achieve deep, restful slumber. If you are overweight, or are liable to suffer from constipation, a fruit drink should be slowly sipped whilst you are lying between the sheets.

The ravages of insufficient sleep soon take their toll. Not only does our complexion suffer, but we also lose our appetite, cannot concentrate, and become quite irritable.

And the peculiar thing about sleep is that the more we worry about it the harder it is to woo. Sleeplessness begets sleeplessness, and we then lay awake for many hours wondering how many more hours it will be before we do drop off to sleep.

If you find that you have been in bed for some time and sleep is still as far as ever, hop out of bed, have a warm bath, and then straight back between the warm sheets, you will immediately drop off into sound slumber.

But, remember to relax. Don't curl up in bed, and don't take your worries to bed with you. Never fear, they will still be there in the morning, and most likely not half so bad as they appeared during the night.

Sound sleep is essential for your health, and more important than face cream for beauty.

WOMAN'S INTERESTS



HATS ARE MADE TO MEASURE

The ready-made hat has no place in the wardrobe of the well-dressed Frenchwoman. Far too personal and too sacred is it to be assumed without the special fitting, the individual touch, which shall distinguish it from all others.

Obviously this also implies some knowledge on the part of the wearer, and particularly is this the case at present, when hats seem to be anything that can be attached to the head, from an umbrella inside out to the wattles of the farmyard.

While all these eccentricities—a net to which is attached a bunch of flowers, a bow which is mysteriously kept at the perpendicular—may be seen in Paris just now, the better-dressed people keep them for odd occasions rather than for the general menu, content to exaggerate or adapt a little fashions which have obtained on well-known, becoming lines.

The Lelong hat is a good example of this adaptation. Actually it is the usual large hat for special summer occasions made different by the breaking up of the crown. It is of black Panama straw with a bold sweeping line, and the ribbon emphasises the vagaries of the crown.

But while it has its own way, it is well within the tradition, and has individuality rather than eccentricity. It is worn, incidentally, with a little coat of embroidered white silk.

SHAPED LIKE A CROWN

A shape which, in different guises, is much in vogue now is that of the crown or inverted-shade. This fits down upon the head, with the brim rising straight from the head and widening out upwards like a crown. At its most extreme it looks like the umbrella which has turned inside out in order to become a hat.

A medium version is in black felt, turned up to a height of anything from six to eight inches—when on the head is a good deal. This shows off the hair, especially at the back, and is suited for the page-boy coiffures with small rolls of hair at the side.

Felt is much used this year, whether in response to the weather or to a revived fashion. But the crown hat may be made of either felt or straw, and in the latter case the harder surface of the wall of straw may be broken with two or three dead-white

HOLBEIN HAT

Lelong has an immense crown or spreading Holbein hat broken only on one side at the top by some flat feathers. It looks charming with its inverted lamp-shade effect upon the plain page-boy hair.

The perfect hat is as rare as any other form of perfection. It must have almost too many qualities, including that of being suitable for the greatest possible number of occasions. Small black hats are being made in fine straw which have a brim that turns up all round. This could develop easily into a tricorn. Instead, it is simply pushed up a little on the side front and clinched with a decoration in metal, pearl, embroidery according to taste.

Actually it depends upon the clever shape of the crown, which is perhaps 3½ inches high, slants slightly rounded top. This hat can be worn with suits, with dark dresses, with almost any dress; in short, which in not for the more ceremonial purposes. In each case it is made for the special head.

FELTS AND STRAWS

Felts and straws vie with each other, and owing to the bad weather the felts have had it so far in Paris. There are large numbers of small black felts some with the exaggerated postman's peak, some with a dip in front and behind and rising at the sides, some with a one-side effect.

For the warmer weather the straws are pushing to the front, but even so they still have to cope with the many light summer felts in all the yellows, beiges, bois de rose, and pastel colourings.

Flat hats are much seen, and they are made comfortable by being composed of a cap which fits the head, on to which a brim is set slantwise and encircling, as were it Saturn with a ring. Oddments are many. The bunch of ribbon or flowers on the top of the head still makes many people look like vegetables.

There are drooping hats of felt or straw, like those worn over their curls by Second Empire beauties. They usually have bright variegated ribbon with tails hanging down behind. There are large yellow felt hats trimmed perhaps with single yellow arum, hats with a dip and swathed silk round them, clinched with a buckle in front.

This is not an easy year for hats, but Paris is full of such as could be worn by those for whom eccentricity is not the greatest attraction.

SHELAND SHAWL TURBAN



SHELAND SHAWL

Fashion has discovered a novel way of using the Sheland shawl. One of these shawls can be turned into the smartest of new millinery models by skilful draping on shaped head fittings. Colours such as sky and royal blue, black and brown, are used with snood drapery into which the hair can be tucked or not.

Divisions from this drapery are achieved through shawl ends dipping over the hair in frothy cascades or split panels drawn forward from nape and finishing bow-tie scarf-fashion at front.

One model is in black felt faced with turquoise blue and is in two separate pieces. A frankly classic pill-box, it has halo cuff with little strings to close it when posed bonnet or halo wise on to the pill-box.

Both items can be worn apart.

Round The Shops

THE COLD SNAP seems to have set in earnest, and the need for smart warm attire to suit every one's pocket has become urgent.

The leading shops have a wide range of winter wear to suit the most exacting tastes and priced most reasonably.

Here are a few for guidance.

SMART AND COSY:

LANE CRAWFORD is offering a special line in smart and cosy bedroom slippers this week. They can be obtained in brocade, silk and jaeger, with heels or without.

Travelling slippers in smooth leather, which fold into a little bag to match, are another attractive line. These are presented in beautiful shades of brocade and silk in a variety of colours—pink, blue, green and turquoise—and are certainly just the thing for cold and chilly nights.

LOVELY FURS:

Fur coats of all kinds, fox, capes and a hundred of other varieties are being given a special display at **MAXOS**, in the Arcade. Snug-looking and promising that comfortably feeling of being warm and well-dressed, these furs are sure to attract many shoppers.

And as for evening frocks—demure and sophisticated models there are in a variety lovely-coloured satins, in addition to a large collection of the latest in dressy afternoon frocks.

SMART BUY:

Those who wanted a really smart buy should not fail to call on **RIVELLE**, in the Arcade, where her half-price sale is still in full swing. There they will find a large stock from which to make their selections, but what should attract shoppers most are the beautiful and chic evening and afternoon dresses which are being offered at a discount of 25 per cent.

Rivelle has also placed a very special price on her costume jewellery, novelties and bags.

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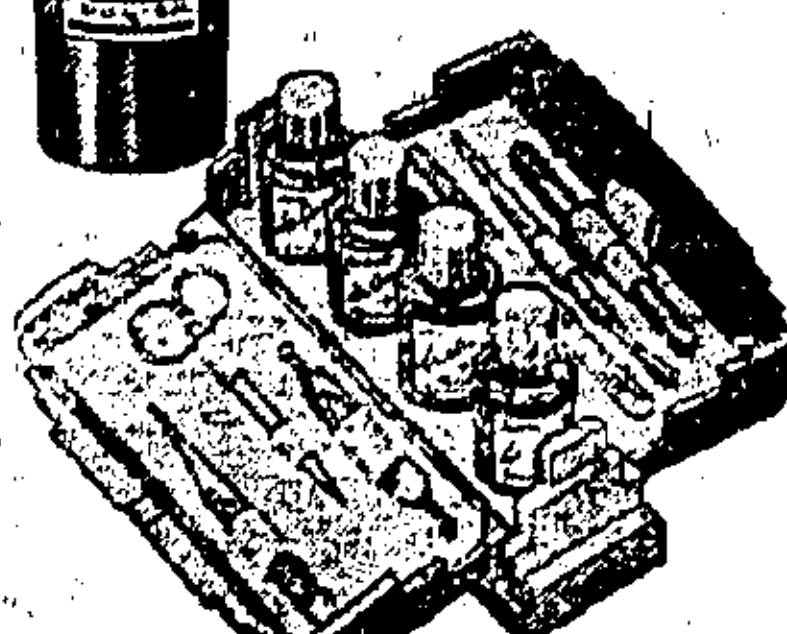
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American girls have a reputation for foot neatness and we keep that reputation by a zealous care of our shoes and stockings.

To make our silk stockings fit well we rinse them in cold water with a spoonful of vinegar before washing them. In the actual washing process we seldom, if ever, use soap at all. If this plan is adopted it does away with any wrinkles and bad fitting, which are so annoying with new silken hose.

Our method of washing artificial silk hose practically doubles its life of wear.

If the hose is still soiled, we put it into a bowl containing soap suds, squeeze again; then hang up to dry by the HOES. This method lengthens the life of artificial silk.

since the salt strengthens the fabric and "sets" the dye.

"SPOT PROOF"

Silk stockings for wearing in wet weather we "spot proof" by adding a few drops of methylated spirit to the rinsing water after washing. This is equally effective for silk or artificial silk stockings, which, treated in this way, do not become unsightly by rain drops.

To prevent that ugly "shine" in newly-washed silken hose—especially artificial silk—do not rinse them through cold water, but through warm water. This warming expands the fibre of the silken strands to full capacity by the time the stockings are dry, and any ugly shine is done away with.

Finally, we avoid throwing mud-splashed silken hose aside and leave them for several days before washing out the stains. By that time the marks are difficult to remove without much rubbing—which is bad for silken strands, no matter if real or artificial.

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Electrics, \$55.
Cements, \$19.
Entertainments, \$7.
Constructions (Old), \$13.
Vibro Piling, \$81.

SELLERS

Providents, \$42.
Hotels, \$53.
Lands, \$34.

SALES

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Union Ins., \$3,470.
Wharves, \$103.
Providents, \$4.70/85.
Hotels, \$5.70/65.
Lands, \$33.80.
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VICIOUS SPIRAL
OF INCREASING
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Responsibility

LONDON, Jan. 18 (BWS)—The
report of Trades Union General
Council denies responsibility for
starting what has been called a
vicious spiral, which, it has been
suggested, might, if unchecked,
develop on the lines which occur-
red in the last war when wages
tried in vain to catch up with the
rise in food prices.

EXTENSION OF RATIONS
Recalling the Chancellor of Ex-
chequer's address to the Joint Ad-
visory Council, emphasising the
desirability of avoiding this spiral,
the report notes that individual
unions, and not the Council itself,
were responsible for wages nego-
tiations and added that, in order
to prevent the spiral, the Council
had pressed strongly for the ex-
tension of rationing to the greatest
practicable limits and for the most
rigid control of prices and profits.

LONDON GOLD

London, Jan. 17 (Reuter).
Bar Gold, Fine per oz., 168/-.

maus 22s, San Mauricio 85s, Suri-
gao Con. 19s, Suyoc Con. 13s, Syn-
dicate Investment 025s, United
Paracale 31s, Mindanao Mother-
lode 09 1/2s.

BRITISH TRADE
FIGURESImports And Exports
Show Increases
For December

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—The
Board of Trade announces that im-
ports have declined £33.6 million,
or four per cent, in 1939, as com-
pared with 1938, and exports £39.9
or seven per cent, but both im-
ports and exports in December have
increased compared to November,
1939 and December, 1938.

ADVERSE BALANCE

The year ended with a small
increase in the adverse balance,
namely, £401,000,000 against
£387,000,000.

The December imports of £88.6
millions was the greatest in any
month since December, 1937. The
increases compared to November
were mostly in food, grain and flour
increasing by £2 1/2 millions, meat
£1.7 millions and dairy produce
£2.7 millions.

Exports in December were £40.2
millions, which was a rise of £2.8
millions compared with November,
mainly in manufactured goods.

LONDON METALS
EXCHANGE

London, Jan. 17 (Reuter).

TIN

Standard, Cash 241-3/4 242
Standard, 3 months 241-1/4 241-1/2

Echo Of Nazi
InvasionCZECHOSLOVAKIA
REFUGEES BILL

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—First
reading was given to the Czecho-
slovakia Financial Claims of Re-
fugees Bill, providing for the
balance of £6,000,000 of a loan
made to Czechoslovakia by His
Majesty's Government at the be-
ginning of last year to be used to
satisfy British financial claims in
Czechoslovakia.

The balance available for this
purpose is nearly £3,500,000.

The Bill also provides for the
disposal of the unexpended balance
of £4,000,000 of the gift made to
the Czechoslovakian Government
for the settlement of refugees,
the war.

SILVER MARKET

LONDON SILVER

London, Jan. 17 (Reuter).
Silver—Little Indian buying.
Small offerings. Market quietly
steady. In the afternoon, the
market was easier, with sellers at
1/16 under, but buyer were reserv-

ed.

Spot, 22-5/8d.

Forward, 22-5/8d.

NEW YORK SILVER

New York, Jan. 17 (Reuter).
Silver, Official, 34-3/4.

BOMBAY SILVER

Bombay Jan. 17 (Reuter).
Market—Barely steady. Otfake
25 bars.

Indian Mint Silver

Ready 59-15
Feb. 3 Settlement 60-02
Mar. 4 Settlement 59-15

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RESERVE BANK OF
INDIA STATEMENT

Calcutta, Jan. 17 (Reuter).

Jan. 4 Jan. 11

Notes in circulation (including Notes held in the Bank- ing Department)	25,384	25,234
Rupee Coin and Bul- lion in India	6,338	6,208
Gold Coin and Bul- lion in India	4,154	4,154
Securities (British Government)	10,750	10,750
Securities (Indian Government)	3,833	3,834

£43,500,000 LOAN
TO TURKEY

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter)—De-
tails of the recently signed Anglo-
French-Turkish Agreement have
now been released.

Britain and France are to give
Turkey loans of £43,500,000, of
which £25,000,000 will be used to
purchase arms from Britain and
France. A sum of £15,000,000 will
be in gold.

Britain and France have under-
taken to purchase annually from
Turkey dried fruits to the value
of £2,000,000 during the duration of

HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Volume	THURSDAY 18, JAN.	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Volume
BANKS								
...	H.K. Bank	...	...	...	1360
...	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	...	287
...	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...	...	...	286
...	Chartered Bank	...	...	...	284
...	Mercantile Bk.	...	...	...	285
...	Mercantile Bk.	...	...	...	211
...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	50 cts.
...	N. C. & S. Bank	...	...	...	...
...	Insurance	...	...	...	...
...	Canton Insurance	...	...	...	...
...	Union Insurance	...	...	...	...
...	Underwriters	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Fire	...	...	...	...
...	Shipping	...	...	...	...
...	Douglas	...	...	...	...
...	Steamships	...	...	...	...
...	Indo-China (Prof.)	...	...	...	...
...	Indo-China (Del.)	...	...	...	...
...	Shells	...	...	...	...
...	Waterboats	...	...	...	...
...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...	...
...	Providents (new)	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. & W. Docks	...	...	...	...
...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Docks & New Engineering & Mining	...	...	...	...
...	Kailans	...	...	...	...
...	Banks	...	...	...	...
...	Yanama Gold Field	...	...	...	...
...	Hong Kong Mines	...	...	...	...
...	Lands, Hotels and Buildings	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Hotels	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Lands	...	...	...	...
...	Do. & Debarments	...	...	...	...
...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Realities	...	...	...	...
...	Humphreys	...	...	...	...
...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	...
...	Cotton Mills	...	...	...	...
...	Ewo (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Shai Cottons (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Zong Singa (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Wing On Textiles (S.)	...	...	...	...
...	Public Utilities	...	...	...	...
...	Tramways	...	...	...	...
...	Peak Tram (old)	...	...	...	...
...	Peak Tram (new)	...	...	...	...
...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	...
...	Ymat Ferries	...	...	...	...
...	China Lights (O)	...	...	...	...
...	China Lights (New)	...	...	...	...
...	China Lights Bts.	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Electric	...	...	...	...
...	Macao Electric	...	...	...	...
...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...	...
...	Telephones (old)	...	...	...	...
...	Telephones (new)	...	...	...	...
...	Tractions	...	...	...	...
...	Tractions (new)	...	...	...	...
...	Industrial	...	...	...	...
...	Cald, Macg. (Ord.) S.	...	...	...	...
...	Cald, Macg. (Ord.) S.	...	...	...	...
...	Canton Iron	...	...	...	...
...	Cenosa	...	...	...	...
...	Ropes	...	...	...	...
...	Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...
...	Dairy Farm (Old)	...	...	...	...
...	Dairy Farm (New)	...	...	...	...
...	Ch. B. Investments	...	...	...	...
...	Constructions (old)	...	...	...	...
...	Constructions (new)	...	...	...	...
...	Lane Crawfords	...	...	...	...
...	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	...	...
...	Biscuits	...	...	...	...
...	Watsons	...	...	...	...
...	Ch. G. S. 1939 G. Bds.	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Govt. 4% Loans	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	...	...	...	...
...	H.K. Wing 'Os
...	Shai Wing 'Os
...	Vibro Piling
...	Marmans Inv. (H.K.)
...	Wm. Foralls
...	Sales to Shanghai



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BANKS

MONEY AND
EXCHANGE
CLOSING QUOTATIONS
JANUARY 18, 1940.

On London:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 13/16	
Bank Bills on demand 1/2 13/16	
Credit 4 months' sight 1/2 13/16	
On Shanghai:—	
On demand 290	
On Singapore:—	
On demand 1/2 1/2	
On Japan:—	
On demand 03 1/4	
On India:—	
Telegraphic Transfer 1/2 1/8	
and demand 1/2 1/8	
On New York:—	
Bank Bills on demand 24 3/8	
Credit 4 months' sight 24 3/8	
On Batavia:—	
On demand 45 1/4	
On Paris:—	
Bank Bills on demand 85	
Credit 4 months' sight 140	
On Saigon:—	
On demand 108 1/4	
On Manila:—	
On demand 48 3/4	
On Bangkok:—	
On demand 150 1/4	
Sterling Notes:—	
Bank Buying Rate 1/3 3/4	
Bar Silver per oz. 32 5/8	

Market Report

FROM BOZA BROS.

Silver prices rose 7/16 yesterday for both deliveries, the quotations being 22 5/8 for both Ready and Forward. Silver advances reported India as having bought to a small extent. The market was steady and closed with sellers at 1/16 under the quoted rate. American Silver was quoted at 34 3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402 1/2. New York-London was quoted at 395 3/8.

Market

There were sellers at 1/22/32 January/February and 1/27/8 March/April, buyers at 1/25/15 Cash and 1/22/32 April.

U.S. Dollars
Sellers at 24 9/16 January and 24 7/16 February, buyers at 24 5/8 Cash and 24 9/16 February.

Shanghai Dollars
Sellers at 304, buyers at 305.

Shanghai Market
Sellers for Sterling at the opening were quoted at 4 7/8 and U.S. Dollars at 81/32. Subsequently the rate receded to 4 5/8 and 81/32. At the close at noon the rate for Sterling was 4 7/8 and U.S. Dollars at 81/32 sellers for Spot.

Afternoon Market
The market was quiet in the afternoon.

Sterling
The market closed with sellers at 1/22/32 January/March and 1/27/8 April/May, buyers at 1/25/15 Cash, 1/25/16 February and 1/22/32 April.

U.S. Dollars
There were sellers at 24 9/16 January and 24 7/16 February, buyers at 24 5/8 Cash and 24 9/16 first half February.

Shanghai Dollars
Sterling last rate indicated sellers for Spot at 4 7/8.

Shanghai Exchange
Shanghai, Jan. 18 (Reuters).

Official T.T. Rates
London 0/4-1/2
New York 7-3/8
Japan 31-1/4
India 24-7/8
Paris 330
Hongkong 30-1/8

Sellers
Opening Closing
Spot 0/4-7/8 0/4-27/32
Jan. 0/4-7/8 0/4-53/64
Feb. 0/4-53/64 0/4-25/32

U.S. Dollars
Spot 78-1/32 77-31/32
Jan. 81-1/32 77-15/16
Feb. 79-3/32 77-13/16

Market:—Quiet.

Merchant Rates
Sterling, 0/4-13/16.
U.S. Dollars, 77-7/8.

Silver Duty Rate
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 19-3/4 per cent.

New York Exchange
New York, Jan. 17 (Reuters).

T.T. on London (Opening Rate), 390-3/8.

Calcutta Exchange
Calcutta, Jan. 17 (Reuters).

T.T. on Japan, 79-7/8.

India Rupee Paper
Bombay, Jan. 17 (Reuters).

Government 3 1/2 Rupee, 88-14-0 nominal.

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HONGKONGCOMMODITY MARKET REVIEW
(FROM PAYNE & CO.)

SINGAPORE RUBBER				
	Previous	January 17		
	Closing	Opening	Closing	Change
Buyers		Buyers		
S P O T	38-1/8	38 cts.	38-1/4	up 1/8
APRIL-JUNE	36-1/2	36-3/8	35-5/8	up 1/8
JULY-SEPT.	35-3/8	35-1/4	35-3/8	up 1/8

The market was very steady.

LONDON RUBBER				
	Previous	close	Today's	Change
	buyer	buyer	buyer	
S P O T	11-3/4	11-3/4	unch.	
APRIL-JUNE	11-11/16	11-5/8	off 1/16	
JULY-SEPT.	11-9/16	11-1/2	off 1/16	

After ruling easier on hedge-selling and poor support, the market closed steady.

NEW YORK COTTON: The market was easier on early foreign selling and local liquidation, but later buying broadened, especially on report of encouraging cotton goods sales. The undertone is good but Washington news is indefinite.

NEW YORK RUBBER: There has been some scattered factory interest and a scarcity of shipment offerings, further talk of an unchanged quota for the second quarter and the possibility of some improvement in consumption figures during January are all stimulating factors.

CHICAGO WHEAT: Cold weather, possible crop damage as a result of the recent heavy snow fall, good export demand of Canadian wheat and unfavourable foreign crop advices, aided a good rally, but outside interest and foreign export demand which are necessary to maintain the advances are still absent.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 145.67; Today's close, 145.81; Change, up 14.

NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET
(REUTERS SERVICE)

	High	Low	Close	Prev. To-day's	Change
New York Cotton, Mar.	11.04	10.94	11.02	11.03	.01 up
New York Rubber, Mar.	19.12	18.91	18.91	19.12	.21 up
Chicago Wheat, May	10.11	9.99	9.99	10.11	.12 up
Chicago Corn, May	58 1/2	57 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2	.01 up
New York Hides, Mar.	14.61	14.38	14.59	14.40	.19 off

NEW YORK COTTON Close Opening Closing Change
January 10.96/97 10.87/87 deleted
March 11.02/03 10.94/94 11.03/03 .01 up
May 10.80/80 10.70/71 10.78/78 .02 off
July 10.43/43 10.33/34 10.40/41 .03 off
July (New contract) 10.63 N 10.53/54 10.60 N .03 off
October 9.81/83 9.74/74 9.83/83 .02 up
December 9.75/75 9.67/67 9.75 N unch.
Spot 11.25 N 11.30 N .05 up

Volume (in contract of 100 bales each) 108,500 bales

NOTE:—January cotton, last notice day: 17.140.

NEW YORK RUBBER
March 18.91b 18.91b/19.01a 19.12/12 .21 up
May 18.65b/70a 18.65/65 18.71/71 .06 up
July 18.45/45 18.45/45 18.55b/60a .10 up
September 18.10b/15a 18.30/30 .20 up
December 18.10b/15a 18.20/20 .10 up

Total sales for the day: 1,190 tons.

CHICAGO WHEAT
March 99 1/2 99 1/2 101 1/4 101 1/4 .12 up
July 98 1/2 98 1/2 98 1/2 98 1/2 .01 up
September 98 1/2 98 1/2 98 1/2 98 1/2 .01 up

Tuesday's sales: 24,096,000 bushels.

CHICAGO CORN
May 58 5/8 57 5/8 58 1/2 58 1/2 .1 up
July 58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2 .01 up
September 58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2 58 1/2 .01 up

WINNIPEG WHEAT
May 88 1/2 88 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 .1 up
July 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 .01 up
September 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 .01 up

NEW YORK HIDES
March 14.59/59 14.61/60 14.40/40 .19 off
June 14.84/85 14.85/85 14.65/68 .19 off
New York, Official 34-3/4
NY-London Cross Rate 3.96-5/8 3.95-3/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
(REUTERS SERVICE)

London, Jan. 17.

The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

Var Loan, 3 1/2 (Red after 1932) 96

Canton-K'loon Rly. 5% 16

Chinese 4 1/2 Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue) 60

Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47 50

China 4 1/2 Anglo-French Loan, 1908 50

Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912 30

Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.) 42

Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers) 12

China Imperial Rly. 5% Loan 55

Honan Rly. 5% 16

Fukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 19

Fukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue) 17

Long Tsing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913 14

Thai-N'king Rly. 5% 20

Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.) 16

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

QUOTATION
(REUTERS SERVICE)

STOCKS		STOCKS	
	Last Sale Jan. 17		Last Sale Jan. 17
Adams Express	8 1/2	Lake Foundry & Mac.	4 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	19 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	29 1/2
Allied Stores	8 1/2	Loew's Inc.	34 1/2
Allis Chalmers	36 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	25 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	102	Martin, Glen L.	37
Amer. Can.	114 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	16 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	33 1/2	Monsanto Chemical	104 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	11 1/2	Montgomery Ward	51 1/2
Amer. & Foreign P. 71 pt.	25	National Aviation	12
American Gas & Elec.	38 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	16 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	19 1/2	Nat. Distillers	23 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	22 1/2	National Gypsum	11 1/2
Amer. Radiator	9 1/2	National Lead	20
Amer. Rolling Mill	15 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	8 1/2
Amer. S'ing and R'ing Co.	47 1/2	National Steel Corp.	87 1/2
Amer. Sugar Refining	18 1/2	Nat. Supply Corp.	8 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	170 1/2	New York Central	16 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	88 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	5 1/2
Amer. Waterworks	10 1/2	N. American Aviation	24 1/2
Anasconda Copper	27 1/2	North American Co.	22 1/2
Atchafalpa, T. & S. Fe.	22 1/2	Northern Pacific	3 1/2
Auturn Motors	2 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	62 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	5 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	33
Barber Asphalt Co.	14 1/2	Pacific Lighting	49 1/2
Barnsdall Oil	12 1/2	Packard Motors	3 1/2
Bendix Aviation	28 1/2	Paramount Pictures	7 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	73 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	22 1/2
Bills & Co.	12 1/2	Phelps-Dodge	37 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	24 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	39 1/2
Borg-Warner	23 1/2	Pittsburg Coke & Iron	7 1/2
Borg M'facturing	20 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	40 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	14 1/2	Pullman Inc.	28 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan T. & E.	50 1/2	Pure Oil	8 1/2
Case J. I.	70 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	5 1/2
Celanese	27 1/2	Reading Company, Com.	15 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	40 1/2	Reading Company, 1st pfd.	25 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	83 1/2	Remington Arms Co. Inc.	4 1/2
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	37 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	6 1/2
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	80 1/2	Republic Steel	20 1/2
Columbia Gas & El.	9 1/2	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	12 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pf.	61 1/2	Reynold Tobac. "B"	41 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	46 1/2	Richfield Oil	7 1/2
Com. & Southern (ord.)	11 1/2	Safeway Stores	46 1/2
Consolidated Edison	31 1/2	Schenley Distillers	12 1/2
Consolidated Oil	7 1/2	Sears Roebuck	83 1/2
Continental Can	42 1/2	Shell Union Oil	11 1/2
Continental Oil	23 1/2	Socony-Vacuum Oil	11 1/2
Copperweld Steel	15 1/2	Southern Pacific	13 1/2
Corn Products	63 1/2	Southern Ry 45 pfd.	30 1/2
Curtiss Wright (C.)	9 1/2	Sperry	4 1/2
Curtiss Wright "A"	29 1/2	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	29 1/2
Deere & Co.	20 1/2	Standard Brands	7 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	19 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	2 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	78 1/2	Standard Oil of California	25 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	18 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	44 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	10 1/2	Stone & Webster	11 1/2
Eaton Mfg. Co.	29 1/2	Studebaker, Com.	9 1/2
Elec. Autolite	35 1/2	Swift International	30 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	7 1/2	Technicolor	14 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 5% pf.	58 1/2	Texas Corp.	45 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 6% pf.	66 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	33 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 7% pf.	33 1/2	Trans-America Co.	5 1/2
Flintkote	14 1/2	20th Cent. Fox	24 1/2
Gen. American Trans.	52 1/2	20th Cent. Fox 5 1/2 pf.	24 1/2
Gen. Electric	38 1/2	Union Carbide & Carbon	82 1/2
Gen. Motors	52 1/2	Union Pacific	93 1/2
Gen. Railway Signal	16 1/2	United Aircraft	45 1/2
Gen. Tire & Rubber	20 1/2	United Airlines Trans.	14 1/2
Glidden Co.	17 1/2	United Corp.	2 1/2
Goodrich (B.F.)	18 1/2	United Corp. 3% cum pf.	38 1/2
Goodrich 5% pf.	63 1/2	United Gas Corp.	1 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Co.	22 1/2	United Gas Improvement	14 1/2
Great Northern Iron Ore	16 1/2	U.S. Industrial Alcohol	22 1/2
Great Northern Rly. pfd.	23 1/2	U.S. Rubber	37 1/2
Great Western Sugar	28 1/2	U.S. Rubber 38 pfd.	110 1/2
Greyhound Corp.	18 1/2	U.S. Steel	59 1/2
Hercules Powder Co.	59 1/2	Vanadium	30 1/2
Homestake Mining	55 1/2	Walworth Co.	5 1/2
International Harvester	60 1/2	Warner Bros. Pict.	—
Int. Nickel	36 1/2	Westinghouse Elec.	108 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel.	4 1/2	Woodward Iron Cor.	22 1/2
Johns-Manville	71 1/2	Chase National Bank	—
J. & Laughlin Steel 7% pfd.	56 1/2	National City Bank	—
Kennecott Copper	36 1/2		

DOW JONES AVERAGE

1939		Jan. 18, 1940.	
High	Low	High	Low
155.92	151.41	145.67	144.71
25.90	24.14	30.23	31.58
27.70	23.70	85.21	25.25
22.22	24.51	65.67	45.69
65.67	45.69	65.67	45.69

Business Done—470,000 shares

Guinness (A) Son & Co. 78

Hawker Siddeley Airc. 13 1/2

Bristol Aeroplane 15

Imperial Chemical Ind. 29 1/2

Imperial Tobacco 112 1/2

Marks & Spencer "A" ord. 51 1/2

Rolls Royce 88 1/2

Leyland Motors 73 1/2

Tate & Lyle 55 1/2

Turner & Newall 64 1/2

United Steel 21 1/2

Smithwick Drop Forg. 13 1/2

Armstrong Stevens, ord. 6 1/2

Pressed Steel, com. 14 1/2

Vickers, ord. 17 1/2

Woolworths 60 1/2

Anglo-Dutch 24 1/2

Rub. Plant Invest. Trust 33 1/2

Burma Corporation 11 1/2

Commonwealth Mining 15 1/2

Marsman Investments 15 1/2

Randfontein Estates 36 1/2

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Sat.	20	18 15	00 19
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Mon.	22	17 10	01 10
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Wed.	24	18 00	01 54
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Hong Kong, 1940. [24]

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WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., Jan. 18

Barometer (at sea level), 30.13 ins.

Temperature, 62 F.

Humidity, 86 per cent.

Wind Direction, ENE

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4

Temperature; maximum yesterday 66 F.

Temperature, minimum last night, 58 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs., ending 10 a.m. today, .000 ins.

Total rainfall since January 1st

0.02 ins.

Against an average of, 0.44 ins.

Sunset to-night, 6.02 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 7.05 a.m.

4 p.m., Jan. 18.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.05 ins.

Temperature, 61 F.

Humidity, 88 per cent.

Wind Direction, E/S.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 4

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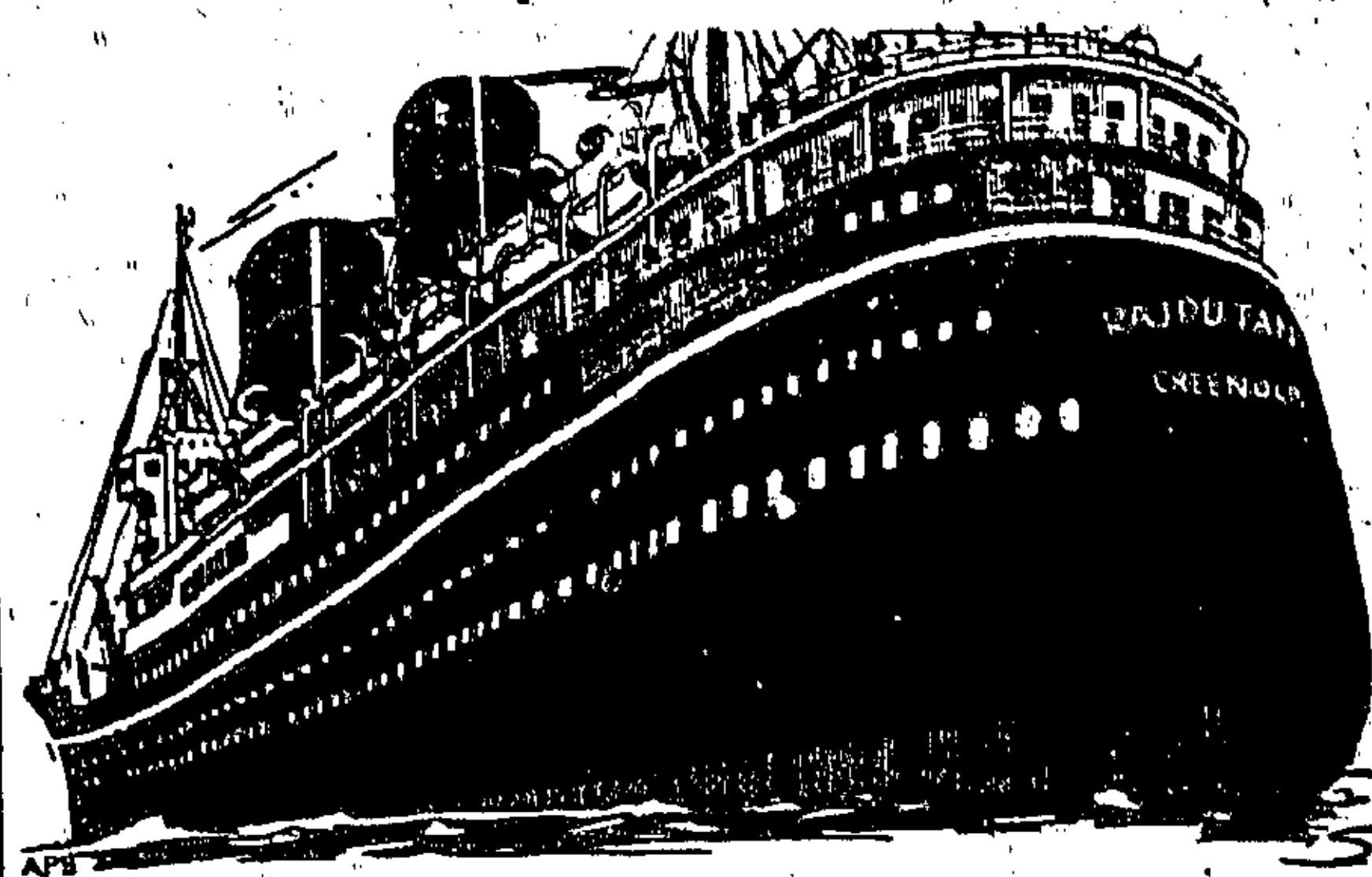
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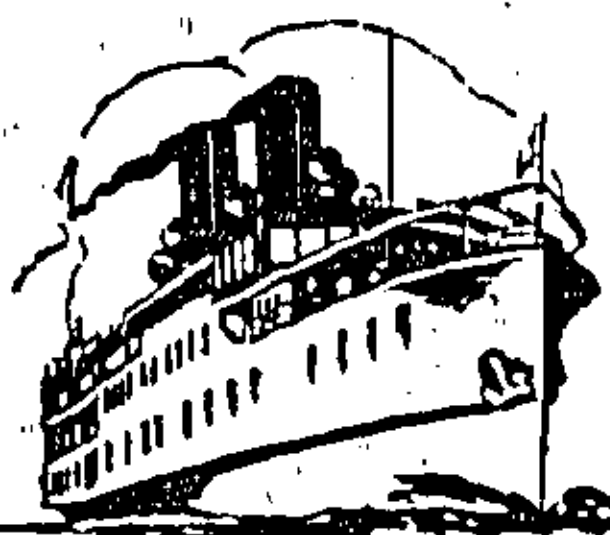
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SWEDISH DETERMINATION

"ANY ATTEMPT TO VIOLATE OUR NEUTRALITY WILL BE MET WITH ALL MEANS AT OUR DISPOSAL"

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—"Sweden will defend her independence and neutrality," declared the Prime Minister, M. Hansson, during a debate on foreign affairs in the Riksdag. He added: "Any attempt to violate our neutrality will be met with all the means at our disposal. There can be no question of breaches in our neutrality, such as permission for the transport of belligerent troops through Sweden or the use of bases in our territory."

CHINA WAR NEWS

Continued from Page 1
Chinese on Monday, suffering 200 casualties.

JAPANESE LOSSES

KINHWAI, Jan. 18 (Central).—Heavy losses were sustained by the Japanese in Kashing, on the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway, in North Chekiang, when their munition and other supplies stored at the Mousinsheng Transportation Company and Sin Shing Theatre were set on fire by Chinese guerrillas last week.

More than \$1,000,000 worth of ammunition, an equal value of foodstuffs, leather and other supplies, several hundred tons of gasoline, over 40,000 pieces of wood were gutted and more than 10 trucks destroyed.

CHINESE ATTACK

SIUHSUI, Jan. 18 (Central).—The Chinese are attacking at Sing-tze, on the west shore of the Foyang Lake, in North Kiangsi, 20 miles south of Kluksang. Fighting is in progress in the western suburbs.

Four hundred Japanese casualties were inflicted and 300 Japanese rifles seized during a Chinese attack at Shawei and Hutun, north of Hsingfukwan in north Kiangsi, on Tuesday.

EXTRA-SETTLEMENT POLICE ISSUE

Special to the H.K. Daily Press
SHANGHAI, Jan. 18 (Havas).—A new police organization to control extra-settlement roads is expected shortly on the issue of conversations at present taking place between Mr. Godfrey Phillips, Secretary General of the Shanghai Municipal Council, and Major Fu Siao-en, of the Shanghai Special Municipality, whereby these two bodies would create an "extra-settlement police" to control all areas of the outside roads which have been the cause of many dissensions during the past.

The extra-settlement police will be headed by a commissioner selected by the "Shanghai Special Municipality" with a deputy appointed by the Shanghai Municipal Council.

The latter body is also demanding the suppression of all gambling and opium dens located in the extra-settlement area.

DANCING DISPLAY FOR CHARITY

Miss Violet Capell informs us that the net proceeds from her recent Dancing Display, held at the King's Theatre, amounted to \$839.50.

Cheques for \$100 each have been sent to the International Medical Relief and British War Organisation Funds; the balance of \$639.50 going towards the Diocesan Girls' School Building Fund.

REFUGEE SCHOOLS CAMPAIGN

The following is the latest list of donations to the Hongkong Emergency Refugee Schools Campaign:

Previously acknowledged \$23,083.43.
"Anonymous" Kiang. F.M.S. \$100.

H.K. University Union Medical Relief Ass., \$100.

Chinese National Relief Commission, \$6,000 N.C.

DARWIN, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—Ninety passengers of the Merkur have been taken off and brought to Darwin. The steamer has not yet been floated. The salvage freighter which went to her assistance was caught by the tide and only missing striking the Merkur by five yards.

A man was arrested by the Police yesterday afternoon in connection with the reported theft of a basket of flowers from a grave in Mount Davis Cemetery. The man will be formally charged in Court today.

M. Hansson declared that in spite of the sympathy felt for Finland, caution was necessary in order to avoid becoming a party to the conflict. He added: "We don't need orders from abroad on our relations with Finland. We judge for ourselves how best to serve her cause and that of the northern states."

INTERPORT HOCKEY DATE FIXED

The Interport hockey match against Macao will be played on Easter Sunday, March 24. It was decided at the monthly meeting of the Hongkong Hockey Association Council, at St. Andrew's Church Hall yesterday evening. This date is subject, however, to confirmation by the Macao Hockey Association.

The Council decided also to uphold the decision of the Hockey Umpires Association in respect of a protest by the Royal Engineers against an umpire's ruling disallowing a goal against Radio and Postal Sports Club in a tournament match three weeks ago. The protest was rejected by the Hockey Umpires Association.

Those present at the meeting were Lt. Gunner, R.N., in the Chair, Mr. D. T. Smith, Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. M. Xavier, Mr. J. Goncalves, Lt. Russell, R.A., and Mr. A. E. P. Guest.

S. AFRICA ARMY MAY HAVE VITAL PART TO PLAY

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—The belief that "it was by no means certain that the African continent would not become a theatre of possibly the most severe fighting that the war would produce," was expressed by the Minister for Mines, Colonel Stallard, when addressing a meeting of the Dominion Party of which he is leader.

Colonel Stallard was explaining why it was necessary for the Government to refuse permission to South Africans to go overseas to serve with the British forces, and said that the South African Army might have an important and vital part to play.

COLONY HEALTH: FOUR CASES OF SMALL - POX

Four cases of small-pox, twenty-two cases of tuberculosis, three cases of diphtheria, two cases of diphtheria, two cases of enteric fever, two cases of cerebro-spinal fever, one case of chicken-pox and one case of measles were notified to the Health Department on Jan. 17.

92,000 ENLIST IN U.S. ARMY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 (Havas).—The U.S. Secretary for War, Mr. Harry Woodring, announced yesterday that 92,000 men had enlisted in the U.S. Army between July 1, 1939, and Jan. 15, 1940.

Total of effectives had now reached 223,000, only 3,000 short of the total asked for by President Roosevelt last spring.

ALL PARTY PARLEY IN JAPAN

TOKYO, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—In deference to the Government's desire for a conference of all parties yesterday, it was decided to adjourn the re-assembly of the Lower House for a further ten days.

The House was originally scheduled to meet on Jan. 22, after the New Year recess. The House will now not meet until Jan. 31.

The Government wants a more time to prepare its budget and other bills.

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—The War Minister of Argentina, Senor Marquez, has decided to prolong the stay of the United States Army and Air Corps Mission, which has been instructing the Argentine Air Force since 1938, until June 1941.

BRITAIN'S AIR ARMADA

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—It is stated in London that £120,000,000 Empire Air Training Scheme will require a personnel of at least 30,000 airmen, 2,680 officers, nearly 5,000 civilians and over 1,000 maintenance staff, according to the Canadian estimate. Nearly 70 instructional schools will be needed to bring to perfection the Imperial Air Armada.

German Army In Slovakia Strengthened

BUDAPEST, JAN. 18 (Havas).—RELIABLE INFORMATION FROM SLOVAKIA INDICATES THAT THE GERMAN ARMY IS ATTEMPTING TO STRENGTHEN ITS GRIP ON THE COUNTRY.

The Slovak authorities recently received a German demand that German officers be appointed to the command of several important military garrisons.

FEVERISH ACTIVITY
The city of Presov, which is an important railway centre, has been placed under authority of a member of the German General Staff.

Feverish activity is going on on the Hungarian-Ruthenian frontiers, where German engineers are improving and opening new roads. Many new troops are expected to arrive soon and all hotels have been commandeered for German officers who are expected to arrive on Feb. 1.

ELABORATE FLOOD MEASURES

LONDON, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—Reuter's special correspondent with the French Forces reports that although there is a fringe of ice on the shores of the North Sea, the elaborate flooding measures planned by the French Army at the Northern extremity of the Western Front are ready to be put into force at a moment's notice.

Within a few hours, vast tracts of land could be made impassable for an advancing army.

The measures consist mainly of a reversal of the peace-time method of regulating the network of canals in the district. Normally the canal locks are closed at high tide and opened at low tide in order to allow the excess fresh water to run out.

FAST LAKE

For flooding purposes, the locks would be opened at high tide, allowing the sea water to overflow the canal banks, and closed at low tide to keep the water in.

Special efforts would at first saturate the ground with fresh water, so that the salt water should damage the rich soil as little as possible.

Steps are also already to be taken to prevent any artificial floods spreading to the ground occupied by the French troops. These measures include a system of dams, which would convert the district into a vast lake, virtually impassable to mechanised or other troops.

ARITA STATEMENT: MOSCOW ATTITUDE

MOSCOW, Jan. 18 (Reuter).—Official comment on the Statement made by the new Japanese Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita is not available, but in the Soviet version of his statement, his remarks about the United States is given precedence. Mr. Arita's remark comparing the frontier agreement in importance with a Non-Aggression Pact is not published in the Soviet press.

COMMITTED TO SESSIONS

Of the five men who were charged with robbery and receiving stolen property, on November 17, at Lam Tong Mei, off Fu Kin Tau, four of them, Chan Man, Chan Tai, Kok Lai and Wong Kam-shul, were committed to the next session, when hearings were concluded before Mr. H. J. Cruttwell at The District Court South, yesterday. Cheung Yau was discharged.

FATAL FALL

A fatal accident occurred at 37 Wyndham Street, Central, yesterday afternoon when a little girl, Lee Wai Chan, aged ten, fell off the back verandah of the first floor of the house.

The child was picked up with severe injuries to her head and died shortly after.

FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, 19th JANUARY, 1940, 9.30 A.M.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"	
London date, 10th January	19th Jan.
Straits	19th Jan.
Japan and Shanghai	19th Jan.
Shanghai	19th Jan.
Australia and Manila	19th Jan.
Canton	19th Jan.
Sandakan	19th Jan.
Bangkok, Saigon and Tourane	19th Jan.
Shanghai	19th Jan.
Formosa and Swatow	19th Jan.
Straits and Saigon	19th Jan.
Calcutta and Straits	19th Jan.
Europe via Suez and Straits—London date, 2nd Dec. 1939	19th Jan.
Haiphong, Holhow & Fort Bayard	19th Jan.
Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow	19th Jan.
Shanghai	19th Jan.
Straits	19th Jan.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"	
London date, 13th January	21st Jan.
Haiphong	21st Jan.
Saigon	21st Jan.
Japan	21st Jan.
Shanghai	21st Jan.
Shanghai and Amoy	21st Jan.
Haiphong and Holhow	21st Jan.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 13th January	23rd Jan.
Shanghai	23rd Jan.
Java and Manila	23rd Jan.
Straits	23rd Jan.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date 17th January	24th Jan.
Shanghai	24th Jan.
Canton	24th Jan.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	24th Jan.
U. S. A., Honolulu, and Japan (San Francisco, date 23rd December 1939)	24th Jan.
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U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 4th January	24th Jan.
Manila	24th Jan.
Shanghai	24th Jan.
Japan and Shanghai	24th Jan.
Java and Manila	24th Jan.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C. date, 11th Jan.)	1st Feb.
Calcutta and Straits	1st Feb.
Shanghai	1st Feb.

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For	Date and Time
FRIDAY	
Fort Bayard	Fri. 18th 8.30 AM
Sandakan	8.30 AM
Japan	6.30 PM
Shanghai	7.00 PM
SATURDAY	
Calcutta	Sat. 19th 5.00 PM
Canton	Ord. 10th 8.30 AM
Saigon	10.30 AM
Fort Bayard	11.30 AM
Haiphong	2.00 PM
Parcels only for Shanghai and Tientsin	2.30 PM
Shanghai and Japan	3.30 PM
Straits, Ceylon, India, East Africa, Aden Egypt, Malta and Europe via Suez and London	G.P.O. & K.P.O. 3.00 PM
due London, 3rd March	Reg. 5.00 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London 28th January	Ord. 5.30 PM
Amoy	5.30 PM
South Africa via Durban	5.30 PM
SUNDAY	
Straits and Calcutta	Sun. 21st 5.00 PM
Fort Bayard, and Holhow	Ord. 11th 9.0 AM
Swatow, Shanghai and Parcels only for Tientsin	9.00 AM
MONDAY	
Tourane and Saigon	Mon. 22nd 8.30 AM
Haiphong	1.00 PM
Canton	7.00 PM
TUESDAY	
Shanghai	Tue. 23rd 2.30 PM
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Naples—due Naples, 18th February	G.P.O. & K.P.O. 2.45 PM
Reg. 3.30 PM	Ord. 3.30 PM
K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM
Ord. 5.30 PM	G.P.O.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 31st January	Reg. 5.00 PM
due London, 31st January	Ord. 7.00 PM
K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM
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Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 29th January	Reg. 5.00 PM
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